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WALSH SCORES IF HIS LAWYERS ARE NOT ON A TANGENT

LOOTING OF RAILWAY FUNDS
NOT SHOWN BY STATE

FORGAN HELPS SOME, TOO

Bank President's Testimony Said to Indicate Lack of Criminal Intent on Walsh's Part.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A. F. Williams, auditor of the Southern Indiana road, one of the Walsh lines, today disappointed the government in its efforts to prove Banker John R. Walsh diverted its funds by means of false entries in the railroad construction accounts.

Williams admitted, however, that he didn't know what became of all of five millions of dollars that was converted into construction funds by Walsh. The government expects to close its case tomorrow with the testimony of Bank Examiner Moxey, and the state attorneys intimate that a sensation may be sprung as a final onslaught against Walsh.

Yesterday afternoon what the defense calls a triumph for Walsh occurred when on cross-examination James B. Forgan, president of the First National bank, a state witness, said, Mr. Walsh told him the Chicago National bank acquired Illinois Southern and Wisconsin and Michigan railroad securities so as to save a possible loss in previous investments.

The defendant's lawyers maintain this statement knocks the props from under the government's theory that the investments were made by Mr. Walsh with criminal intent or for the purpose of defrauding the bank.

At the same time Assistant District Attorney Dobyns and his aids declare Mr. Forgan's testimony was entirely satisfactory to the prosecution.

HENRY RICHLEY DIES OF COMPLICATIONS

Henry Richley, a former employee on the government boats, died this morning at the St. Francis hospital after a lingering illness with complication of diseases.

Mr. Richley was born in Germany and has been a resident of La Crosse for the past 25 years, being employed at various occupations during that time. He was 63 years old and was unmarried.

The funeral will take place Thursday morning from the chapel at the St. Francis hospital. Rev. Father Bayer will officiate and interment will take place at the Catholic cemetery.

MRS. FRANCIS JIRSA DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Mrs. Francis Jirsa, wife of Anton Jirsa, 1522 South Eighth street, died this morning at 8 o'clock after an illness of but a week with pneumonia.

Deceased was 64 years old and had been a resident of La Crosse for many years. She is survived by a husband, two daughters and one son, Joseph and Agnes, living at home and Mrs. Bertha Beranek of this city.

The funeral will be held Friday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Wendel's church, Rev. X. Till, officiating and interment will be held at the Catholic cemetery.

JUDGE CASSODAY IS MAKING LIFE FIGHT



CHIEF JUSTICE J. B. CASSODAY

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Chief Justice Cassoday continues to show vitality in his fight for life after his operation for gall stones. Notwithstanding his 79 years his physicians are hopeful.

KING CARLOS AND HIS FAMILY ESCAPE AN ANARCHIST'S BOMB



KING CARLOS OF PORTUGAL.

LISBON, Dec. 17.—That King Carlos, his entire family and the officials of his government narrowly escaped an anarchist's bomb in the cathedral Sunday, has been revealed by the examination of a terrorist suspect arrested during mass. The prisoner was disguised as a priest, but was recognized as a dangerous anarchist. He had a powerful bomb in his possession.

BOB AND JOHN TO BREAK BREAD, WOT?

SENATOR LA FOLLETTE GIVES A DINNER TONIGHT

OLD FOE BIDDEN TO FEAST AT HOME IN DOCTOR'S CARE

Harmony in Entire Wisconsin Delegation Is Fruit of Bob's Democratic Ideas

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—All the members of the Wisconsin house delegation will go home for the holidays except Representatives Jenkins and Morse. Senator La Follette will this evening dine former Senator Spooner and all the republican members of the Wisconsin delegation in the house. Later in the session he will entertain the junior senator with the democratic members. One of the veterans of the delegation remarked today that it was quite a new experience to have a Wisconsin senatorial home opened to the entertainment of a common or garden congressman.

For many years senatorial proprieties have been very strict, so far as Wisconsin was concerned; social relations between senators and the members have not been encouraged, and the new democratic notions of Senators La Follette and Stephenson have occasioned considerable shock to some house members.

ASSET CURRENCY IS URGED BY CARNEGIE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The eighth annual meeting of the National Civic Federation was called to order at the Park Avenue hotel, with more than 100 men and women prominent in various walks of life in attendance. Mr. Speyer, the first speaker, favored an elastic currency based on the gold standard. He introduced Andrew Carnegie, who said in part: "Our first effort should be to get legislation turned from the wrong to the right path by introducing to some extent asset currency. As the people see advantages of this system we may hope to enlarge its use and gradually to abandon bond security and in due time to begin the substitution of gold—real value for our reserves, instead of government debts—thus giving us the most profitable and serviceable form of banking, as abundantly proved by the experience of other countries."

"No central bank is necessary to effect a cure, but only the cushion, elasticity, which the president recommends."

TAFT DECLINES TO COMMENT ON TEDDY ON BOARD STEAMSHIP

PRESIDENT GRANT, by wireless, via Cape Race, N. F., Dec. 17.—The President Grant, on which Secretary Taft and Mrs. Taft are passengers, has encountered disagreeable weather, and will probably be a day or two late at New York. Secretary Taft has learned that President Roosevelt has repeated his promise not to accept a nomination. The information was received by wireless on Thursday. The secretary would make no comment. He said he had no information upon the political situation.

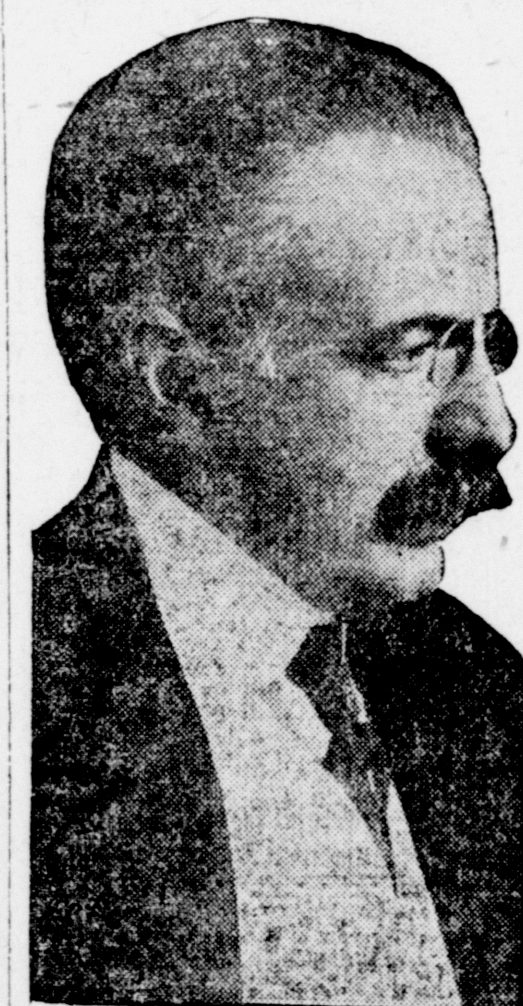
CORTELYOU ILL AS RESULT OF WORRY

PRESIDENTIAL REBUFF PRECIPITATES HIS COLLAPSE

AT HOME IN DOCTOR'S CARE

Roosevelt Deprives Hitchcock of Patronage Weapon Being Used by the Secretary.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury, is so ill that his physicians have ordered that he be confined to his home and cease all official work. The strain of the ordeal through which Mr. Cortelyou went during the



GEORGE B. CORTELYOU.

recent financial flurry has told upon him, and on top of this the complications developing about his presidential aspirations have not conducted to his improvement. Ever since the Roosevelt affair, after which Cortelyou said, "I have had a mighty rough deal from the White house," it has been known that administration discouragement to his candidacy has been worrying the secretary. He regards the president's third term declaration as aimed particularly at himself.

The last blow from the White House came when just before sending the Pacific fleet on its long cruise the president took time to log off the political power of First Assistant Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock, manager in charge of Cortelyou's presidential campaign. Until yesterday the first assistant postmaster general had authority to name fourth class postmasters and his recommendations, together with that of congressmen was sufficient to

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TROOPS RIDING TO GET NIGHT RIDERS

FORCE OF PICKED SOLDIERS EN ROUTE TO HOPKINSVILLE

PEOPLE THERE TERRORIZED

Soldiers Carry 6,000 Rounds of Ammunition Into Country of the Desperadoes

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 17.—Military aid was today dispatched to Hopkinsville to rescue the terrorized city from the grasp of the terrible "Night Riders," whose depredations of late have outdone the atrocities of the post-bellum "kuklux."

Hopkinsville has been the storm center of late, and following some unusually nasty depredations one of the "Night Riders" was killed. This has so enraged the outlaws that the citizens, having heard warnings of vengeance, are completely terrorized, and a call for help came to Louisville.

Capt. Dan Carroll left for the scene today with a force of men and preparations for war in earnest. He took with him 66 picked men of the First regiment and 6,000 rounds of ammunition. He is prepared to use drastic measures, and will stop at nothing to put down the disorders. On the other hand the "Night Riders" are a fearless outfit, armed for war, acquainted with the country and said to be desperately determined upon resistance to the end. Bloodshed can hardly be averted.

\$34,115.25 FROM STATE FOR SCHOOL

La Crosse county will receive \$34,115.25 state aid for schools from the state this year. This is an increase of \$1,776.88 over the amount received one year ago, and an equal increase over the amount sent the state by the county this fall.

Clerk Rawlinson received a detailed statement of aid from Superintendent of Schools Cary today. For each pupil of school age \$2.293 is allowed. Following is the statement:

Bangor, \$664.97; Bangor village, \$591.59; Barre, \$421.91; Burns, \$811.72; Campbell, \$871.34; Farmington, \$1,584.46; Greenfield, \$577.84; Hamilton, \$901.15; Holland, \$912.61; Onalaska, \$768.16; Shelby, \$843.32; Washington, \$651.21; West Salem village, \$412.74; La Crosse city, \$23,239.56 Onalaska, \$862.17.
Total, \$34,115.25.

JEROME CALLS MR. PERKINS A "FELON"

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—In seeking to get the Perkins forgery case reviewed by the court of appeals District Attorney Jerome yesterday afternoon paid his respects to Mr. J. P. Morgan's partner. Opposing the appeal counsel for Perkins pleaded to have the indictment quashed, saying, "A stigma has been placed upon this honorable gentleman."

"When you talk about this honorable gentleman," Mr. Jerome replied, with a sneer, "it is about time for me to say a word. This honorable gentleman is so afraid that this stigma will be nailed down good and hard that he fears to have five judges of the highest court in the state decide whether he is an honorable gentleman or a felon—yes, I say felon, for forgery is a felony. It seems to me that he is extremely anxious to get out of these indictments on a technicality of law."

KILLS GIRL AND SELF IN AUTOMOBILE CAB

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The first murder and suicide committed in an automobile cab occurred in the streets of Brooklyn last night. The victims in the tragedy were Elsie Kerlin, a telegraph operator, 22 years old, and Bernard E. Wallace, who had been employed by the Commercial Cable company in this city. No cause for the tragedy is known but it is probable that it is the result of a love affair.

After having proceeded along for some distance, the driver heard two shots inside the cab. Hastily throwing on the brakes, he stopped the vehicle, and, opening the door, found the woman lying on the floor with a bullet in her right temple, barely alive. The man had died instantly from a bullet wound in the mouth.

The police say Wallace shot the young woman and then killed himself.

UNION BOYCOTT IS ENJOINED BY COURT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—A temporary restraining order was granted today by Justice Gould against the further publication by the American Federation of Labor of its "We don't patronize" list, insofar as it affects the Buck Stove Co. of St. Louis.

FISH-HARRIMAN RAIL BATTLE MAY SEE I. C. ELECTION AGAIN DELAYED



MRS. STUYVESANT FISH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—The probability that the lawyers in the Fish-Harriman injunction suit will not finish their arguments today, has raised the question of whether the stockholders of the Illinois Central will not be compelled to again postpone their election. The referred meeting should occur tomorrow.

It has been proposed that the vote be taken without the enjoined proxies. If the result is a Harriman victory, the suit will not be contested further. If Fish wins the result of the suit will be necessary for a final decision of the election. The proposition has not been accepted so far. In his arraignment of Harriman's methods Attorney Farrar declared the Harriman interests seek to control the railroad business of the country by the manipulation of Union Pacific stocks. Both sides express confidence in finally winning.

Mrs. Fish a Factor.
It has been a subject of gossip lately that Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish figures in this contest more than is commonly known. She is very ambitious for social honors and her husband is urged on in this contest as

GEN. OLIVER WANTS 612 NEW OFFICERS

SAYS ARMY NEEDS THEM TO REPLACE THE "DETACHED"

THE SERVICE IS CRIPPLED

More Officers, More Men, More Pay, More Fortifications, All Asked for by War Department

Washington Bureau of The La Crosse Tribune
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.

(By J. C. Welliver.)
The War department is insisting strongly that congress must give the army more officers. No small addition of the wearers of shoulder straps is asked for, but a large contingent of them. Acting Secretary of War Oliver has sent to the speaker of the house a communication enclosing the draft of a bill that would add no less than 612 new officers to the military and he points out that even this large addition of commissioned men would not suffice to make up for the officers who are absent from their commands on detached duty of various kinds.

General Oliver in his communication to the speaker adds a memorandum from General J. Franklin Bell, chief of staff, in which General Bell takes up in detail the subject of the great number of officers absent from their organizations on detached service and the bad effects of such absenteeism. He points out that absenteeism is an increasing burden. In 1905, the Secretary of war reported 517 officers absent; in 1906, the number was 627, while the corresponding figures for the current year are 682.

General Bell is emphatic in saying the effects of having so many officers away from their commands and organizations is a bad one on the army. "The process of depletion," he asserts, "cannot go on indefinitely. The jump from 517 in 1905 to 682 in 1907 means danger to the army. It means that the discipline, the welfare and the general efficiency of the army are endangered, and its current work, the task it is performing every day of the

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NEW QUESTION MAY STOP R. Y. DECISION

POINT RAISED IN BADGER CASES MEANS 3 YEARS DELAY

FIGHT TO SUPREME COURT

Attempt to Eliminate Interstate Business Tax Means Another Long Legal Battle

(By Fred L. Holmes.)
MADISON, Wis., Dec. 17.—The suits of the state against the railroads for back taxes, which have already been in the courts for over two years and were scheduled to be tried on their merits at the January term of the Dane county circuit court, may again be delayed two or three years for the courts to determine the point of law recently raised by the roads as to whether the railroads were compelled to pay taxes on "interstate" as well as intrastate business. The companies now contend that the old license fee law, under which they paid taxes, is not susceptible of that interpretation and all the companies combined will demand several million of dollars from the state, as excess taxes paid.

During the first week in January Attorney General Frank L. Gilbert will file an answer to the railroads' counterclaim and will set up in defense that the statute of limitations be applied. The claim of the Northwestern and St. Paul roads alone against the state aggregates \$2,059,729.25. The claim of the state against these two roads is about \$97,000, which includes the taxes on the unreported earnings for the years 1898-1902 inclusive.

Statute May Save Much.

The counterclaim of the railroads is in reality an original action and if the statute of limitations, invoked by the state, is applied, it will limit the railroads claim prior to 1901. If this idea prevails the Northwestern and St. Paul claim will be reduced to at least one-fourth of the present amount, or about \$750,000. Two roads, the Green Bay and Western and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, paid their back taxes, without protest and should the

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EDWARDS TAKES "POT SHOT" AT SEN. THOMAS MORRIS

PRESIDENT OF TRACTION CO. SEES POLITICS IN PETITION

NOT AFRAID OF A HEARING

Declares State Commission Has Proven Itself Honorable, But Calls Allegations False.

Editor The La Crosse Tribune:

The La Crosse City Railway company has not often burdened the public with its defenses against the imputations put upon it at various times and from various motives, and it has no intention at this time of trying in the newspapers the case which Senator Thomas Morris has brought against it before the state railroad commission. It is certainly averse to engaging in any sort of controversy with politicians who thrive by demagoguery and whose chief stock in trade is such prejudice as they are able to engender from time to time between capital and labor, between employer and employee and between public service corporations and the people whom they serve. Nor has it any fear that its business interests are in any danger from a thorough and searching canvass of them before so able and intelligent a state board as the railroad commission has shown itself to be.

But the allegations presented to the commission by Senator Morris are so grossly false and so wholly without foundation that the company is not willing to permit the people of La Crosse to remain for a moment under the impression that it admits a single one of them or concedes that it has been in any degree lacking

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THE GUN THAT KILLED GOEBEL IN EVIDENCE

GEORGETOWN, Dec. 17.—A sensation sprung in the Powers murder trial today was the introduction in evidence of the gun that killed Lieutenant Gov. Goebel, which had never before been put in evidence. It is a Marlin rifle, said to have been in possession of Albert Helton of Knox city, since the shooting.

Powers was again on the stand and denied that he ever suggested to Wharton Golden that he was going to the capitol to kill Goebel. He also denied agreeing to have Eli Farmer come from the mountains to shoot Goebel.

HOBSON SAYS CRUISE IS ANTI-JAP MOVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—In the opinion of Captain Hobson of Alabama, the sailing of the battleship fleet is the first step on the part of the United States on behalf of all white nations of the earth to prevent the further encroachment of the "yellow peril." He holds that the only way to prevent a conflict with Japan is to obtain mastery of the Pacific ocean.

THREE KILLED AT A GRADE CROSSING

DUBUQUE, Ia., Dec. 17.—William Campbell, his wife and father of Farley, were instantly killed by an Illinois Central passenger train at a crossing near Epworth.

WEATHER FORECAST

Coldest, 28; warmest, 32; wind, 6 miles; snowfall, trace.
Yellowstone park with 8 degrees below zero was the coldest place in the country yesterday; Phoenix, Ariz. was the warmest, with 66 degrees.

Forecasts today:
Wisconsin—Partly cloudy, with possibly snow flurries south portion tonight or Wednesday.

Minnesota—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; colder tonight.

Iowa—Probably snow and colder tonight; Wednesday generally fair.

Weather Conditions.

Light rain or snow has been general from the Rocky mountains to the Mississippi river and continues at many stations this morning.

The temperature has fallen some throughout the northwest and risen in the lower Mississippi valley and Texas. Elsewhere it has remained about stationary.

An area of low pressure is central in Oklahoma and Texas, while an area of high pressure and cold wave overlies the northern Rocky mountain districts.

Fair weather, except possibly snow flurries, is indicated for this section for tonight and Wednesday, with lower temperature tonight.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT



Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, therefore, when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, serious results are sure to follow.

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If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because as soon as your kidneys begin to get better they will help all the other organs to health.

Prevalency of Kidney Disease.

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SPORTING NEWS

TWO CLASS A MEN HAVE PERFECT SCORE

BURNS AND IRVINE LEAD IN THE ELKS' BILLIARD TOURNEY

INTEREST STILL GROWING

Six Contestants Meet Last Evening—La Crosse Club Tournament Is Progressing

STANDINGS.			
Class A.			
Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Irvine	5	0	1.000
Burns	1	0	1.000
Worth	2	1	.667
E. C. Raymond ..	3	3	.500
La Chapelle	2	2	.500
Brayton	3	3	.500
Keene	1	3	.250
Gatterdam	0	1	.000
Frye	0	1	.000
T. J. Farlan	0	3	.000
Class B.			
A. R. Schulze	2	0	1.000
Gantert	5	1	.834
Evenson	2	1	.667
Taylor	3	2	.600
Fairbairn	3	2	.600
Hobek	0	4	.000
Niebuhr	0	4	.000
L. B. Raymond ..	0	3	.000
T. Thompson	0	1	.000
Class C.			
H. Hanson	2	0	1.000
Munn	1	1	.500
J. Jarvis	0	1	.000

Six Class A men met in the billiard tourney at the Elks' club yesterday, and no change was noted in standings after the games had been played. Irvine added two more victories to his credit, defeating Raymond and Brayton, while Raymond defeated La Chapelle last.

Following are the scores at the La Crosse club:

Irvine (150) 150, Brayton (125) 79.

Irvine (150) 150, Raymond (110) 105.

Raymond (110) 110, La Chapelle (110) 97.

At the La Crosse Club.

Following are the scores at the La Crosse club:

R. W. Keyes (105) 105, E. A. Gatterdam (110) 100.

F. H. Hankerson (165) 165, R. H. Goddard (105) 69.

William Ott (130) 130, W. W. Withee (105) 81.

J. C. Burns (105) 105, F. H. Hankerson (165) 151.

H. C. Hart (105) 105, William Ott (130) 109.

J. C. Utermoehl (105) 105, E. A. Gatterdam (110) 106.

H. C. Hart (105) 105, R. H. Goddard (105) 46.

A. M. Tourtellotte (90) 90, H. L. Colman (100) 88.

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ELLIOTT FAVORS TEN CLUB LEAGUE

THINKS ROCKFORD AND BELLOIT SHOULD BE TAKEN IN

GREEN BAY OPPOSES SCHEME

Moll Writes Local President That Most of the Clubs Favor the Addition to the League

President John A. Elliott of the La Crosse Baseball association this morning received a letter from President Charles F. Moll in regard to the entrance of Rockford and Beloit into the Wisconsin-Illinois baseball league.

The communication seems in the main to be in favor of letting these two towns enter the league, if they pay the usual sum of \$150 for entrance fees.

The matter of allowing them to enter was first suggested at the last meeting of the directors at Milwaukee where Beloit was represented by four men and Rockford by three delegates. Winona and Duluth were also represented.

President Moll says that La Crosse, Madison, Fond du Lac, Oshkosh and Freeport have said "Yes" and that Green Bay is the only town so far which is against their admittance into the league. The president has not heard from Eau Claire or Wausau. Mr. Elliott was the first to move that the two clubs be admitted.

If they are let into the league, President Moll suggests that two series will be played at each town, one of four games first series, and one of three games.

This will make 10 clubs and 140 games will be played in all.

TWO GOOD GAMES OF BASKETBALL

Two exciting games of basketball were played at the high school gymnasium Saturday evening. A large crowd of spectators witnessed the contests and were well pleased with the exhibition. The first game was between the girls' team of the ad-

William Torrance (80) 80, Orlando Holway (90) 76.

H. L. Colman (100) 100, A. S. Willoughby (95) 92.

C. F. Michel (65) 65, C. S. Van Aken (70) 59.

A. M. Tourtellotte (90) 90, Henry Gaud, (90) 89.

E. O. Edwards (105) 105, E. A. Gatterdam (110) 89.

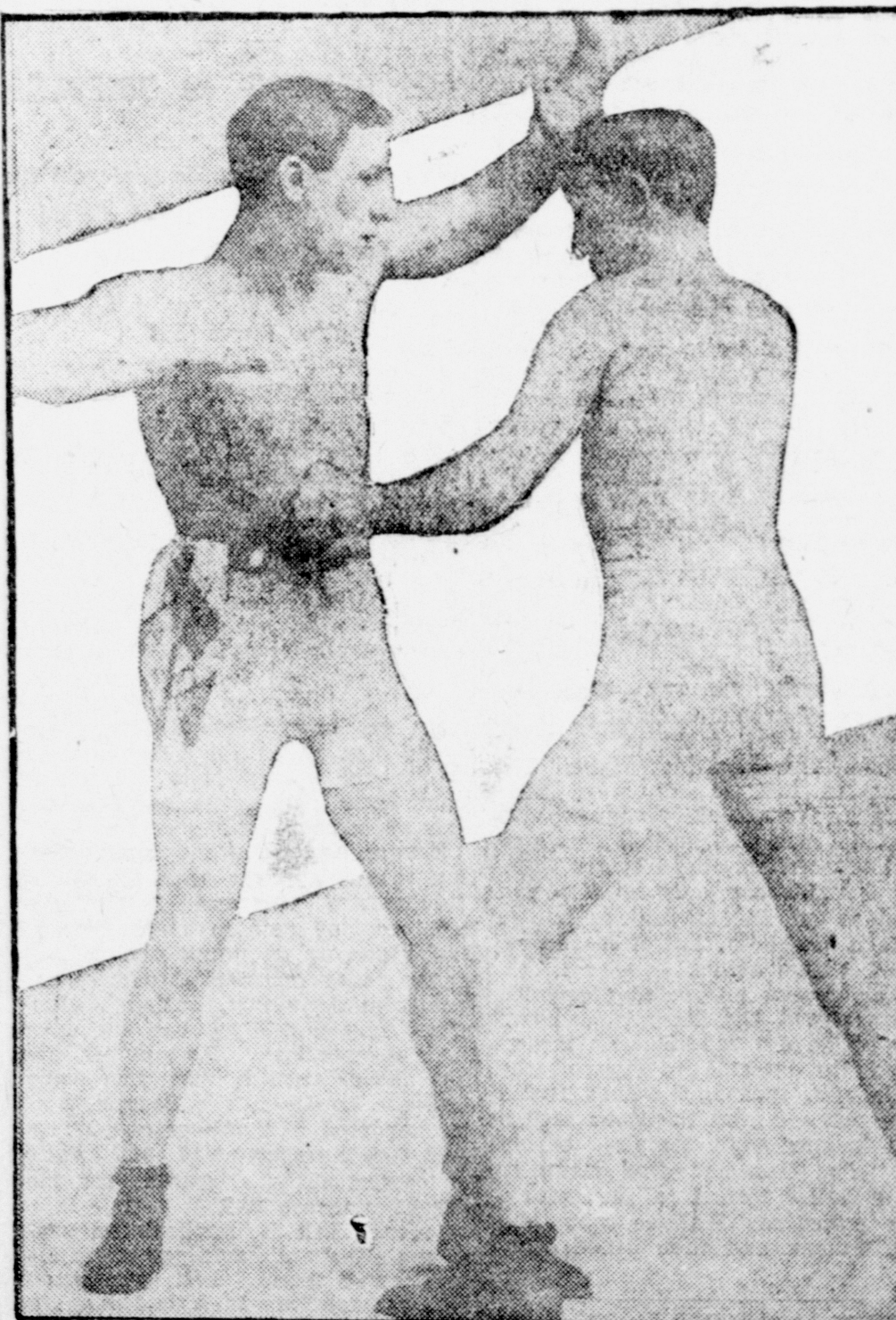
William Ott (130) 130, J. L. Utermoehl (105) 80.

William Ott (130) 130, J. C. Burns (105) 103.

W. W. Withee (105) 105, Andrew Lees (110) 99.

O. E. Wieland (30) 30, A. W. Thompson (30) 23.

ABE ATTELL IN ACTION WITH HIS BROTHER MONTE ATTELL



On New Year's day Abe Attell of San Francisco runs up against the Englishman, Owen Moran, in a 25-round fight for the world's featherweight championship in the Colma arena. The fight will commence at 2:15 p. m. and James J. Jeffries will referee. This bout is the second international title contest to occur within a month and it is confidentially expected among men posted on sport ing events that Attell will dispose of his man as briefly as did Tommy Bur laid his success to the fact that he on the same day. Every inch of his 5 feet 4 in is fighting trim for the contest and Attell himself is supremely confident.

vanced senior and the senior class team, resulting in a score of 21 to 11 in favor of the seniors. The game was an exciting one and looked for a while as if it would result in a tie. The second game was between the junior and sophomore teams. The final score was 6 to 11 in favor of the sophs. Prof. Bengt and Miss Hecton refereed the contests.

HART IS SIGNED WITH SHREVEPORT

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., Dec. 17.—James Hart of this city, who was manager of the Sioux City team in the Western league last season, will be with Shreveport, La., next year. Before going to Sioux City Hart was with the Minneapolis (American association) team.

TO INVEST MILLION IN RIVER STEAMERS

J. R. Mouff of Dubuque, long associated with the E. M. Dickey company which owns a long string of elevators along the Mississippi, it is said intends investing a million dollars in purchasing the Diamond Jo Packet line and making improvements which will give him control of the upper Mississippi transportation. This move is said to be in view of the almost certain improvements which will make the Mississippi navigation supremacy a valuable asset within a few years.

EIGHT LOCAL CASES COME UP IN JANUARY

The following eight cases from Judge Fruit's court, put over from the August term by the supreme court will come up for consideration at the January term:

Rowley vs. C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co. Meineke vs. Smith.

C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co. vs. Lemon- weir River Drainage district.

Segeike & Kohlhaus Mfg. Co. vs. Vincent.

Meyer vs. Doherty et al. Mannel vs. Shafer.

Miller, admr., etc., vs. C. St. P. M. & O. Ry. Co.

Albany et al. vs. Mauston Electric Service company.

REV. UNTRAUT IS SENT TO EAU CLAIRE

Rev. H. J. Untraut, who for the past ten years has been pastor of the Holy Trinity church, has been transferred by Bishop Schwabach to Eau Claire where he will become pastor of the Sacred Heart church to succeed Rev. Joseph Wiedmann, who has been appointed to the St. Joseph's hospital at Chippewa Falls.

Rev. Joseph Joerres, who is well known here, will succeed Rev. Untraut at the Holy Trinity church. Rev. Joerres was formerly pastor at Mauston.

RETURNS AFTER LONG ABSENCE

Gilbert Dahlby returned home yesterday from an extended trip throughout various parts of the world after an absence of about eight years.

He has been in Washington, California, old Mexico, and also took a trip from Seattle to Liverpool and return. He worked for a time in the saw mill lat Superior after leaving here, and then went west where he also worked in the mills for a time, alternating in railroad.

He enlisted for a short time in the navy and has had much experience during his absence of several years.

STATE POULTRY SHOW ON.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The annual show of the Wisconsin State Poultry association opens a month from today—Jan. 17. The kennel branch of the show will be larger than ever before and the amount of premiums in every department will be commensurate with increased exhibits. Fred Badger, clerk of courts, is president of the association and managing the show.

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His Work Tired Carnegie.

Several men achieved great wealth by association in business with Carnegie amongst them being Andrew M. Moreland, who at one time acted as secretary and treasurer of the Carnegie company. Prior to this he was auditor of the company, and while acting in this capacity he was summoned one day to consult Mr. Carnegie, who set wine before his guest at dinner.

"No, thank you, I don't drink," said Mr. Moreland.

Later on Mr. Carnegie brought out the cigars.

"No thank you, I don't smoke," said Mr. Moreland.

Still later in the evening Mr. Carnegie proposed a game of cards.

"No, thank you, I don't play cards," said Mr. Moreland.

Mr. Carnegie looked at his guest. "Tell me why you don't do any of these things," he dryly requested.

"You've kept me working too hard all these years; I've had no time to learn," was the reply.

Mr. Carnegie thought a moment. "Andy," he said, "I'm going to give you a three months' vacation. Now, for heaven's sake go off somewhere and learn to do something besides work."

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Later on Mr. Carnegie brought out the cigars.

"No thank you, I don't smoke," said Mr. Moreland.

Still later in the evening Mr. Carnegie proposed a game of cards.

"No, thank you, I don't play cards," said Mr. Moreland.

Mr. Carnegie looked at his guest. "Tell me why you don't do any of these things," he dryly requested.

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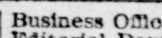
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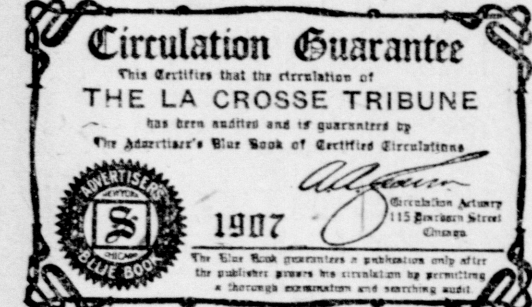
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AGE AND THE "SWEAT-BOX."

The Tribune is not inclined to accept the popular view that the "sweat box" is a barbarous institution and becomes an outrage on justice in the hands of the police. On the other hand, there can be no doubt that by the "sweating" process many a guilty man against whom the evidence was insufficient to convict has been brought to justice through confession, while at the same time immense sums necessary to prosecute costly criminal trials have been saved the taxpayers. In the hands of intelligent and sharp officers, the "sweat box" is a good thing.

There may be, however, instances in which the "sweat box" usage is abused in particular cases. We have in mind a recent case in regard to which the police version and that of the defendant's family are at variance, in which the latter claim a young boy arrested for alleged petty crime was kept in the police station over Sunday without his parents being given notice. The mother was worried and in tears, while the father was much distressed over the affair. There has seldom been reason to question the veracity of the La Crosse police department, and it is our choice in dealing with this affair to assume that a misunderstanding is responsible for the failure of its story to coincide with that of a working man who has the appearance of being as square and fatherly a parent as one often meets. Either the police or the parents are mistaken. That the boy was found guilty has no more bearing on the case than does the circumstance that the court found something in him to suggest a suspension of the sentence. He was 14 years old, and the best ends of justice cannot often be served by keeping one of these impressionable years in a cell. Nor should there be found excuse short of the sternest necessity for keeping parents of youngsters, good or bad, in ignorance of their whereabouts over night.

If the story of the boy's parents and of the boy is true, there offers but one solution to this case. It was undoubtedly the purpose of the police to keep the boy in confinement away from his relatives in order to "sweat" a confession from him. Had they succeeded, we believe, there would have been no more justification for their act than there is under the circumstance that they failed. We are certain that keen devotion to duty, and not the least unkindly thought or motive, prompted the conduct of the officers. We believe, however, that on second thought they will agree with us that any failure to succeed in such a case would not have been charged up

against the efficiency of the force had another and less drastic course been pursued.

THE MILLENNIUM.

There will probably be little distress in any quarter over the fact that Senator Thomas Morris has petitioned the state utilities commission relative to certain improvements and a reduction of fares by the La Crosse Street Railway company. In saying this, we assume that the public wants the company to do only what is right, and that the company can show that it is doing what is right.

That is the great advantage in having a state commission to which such matters shall be submitted for adjustment. This commission will, if it does its duty, investigate the value of the properties of the street car company and determine whether or not it has a fictitious capitalization. It will then determine whether its earnings are more than is fair upon the capital invested. If the fare charged is earning more than a reasonable return on the investment, it will ring out the "water," if there is any, and will order such a rate as it deems fair both to the company and to the public. It will exploit the service and equipment of the company, and if it finds that it is fairly obligatory upon the company to improve either, it will so order. On the other hand, if it finds the fare reasonable and the service good, it will direct the maintenance of the present status.

In any case, it cannot in good conscience direct anything to be done that is not fair to the people and to the traction interests, and as both the people and the company want to be fair, both will be glad that the commission acted on the case.

HOW THEY SEE IT.

Just because it is part of the United States, and we are, what the northwest thinks about matters presidential is of some interest. Here are some thoughts emanating from sanctuaries across the Mississippi, as collated by the St. Paul Pioneer Press:

Owatonna Journal-Chronicler: The sudden pushing forward of Hughes as a presidential candidate by certain newspapers and politicians in Minnesota has some rather peculiar features, indicating the carrying out of orders from some organized headquarters in the background. It is noticeable that the principal success of this unaccountable Hughes boom is very close to certain of Minnesota delegates in congress who are not, like Caesar's wife, above suspicion. There is no apparent reason for Minnesota's having a sudden admiration for Gov. Hughes of New York, whether or not a careful examination of his record would show him worthy of it. The situation has earmarks of anti-Rooseveltism.

Preston Republican: Little Bob La Follette of Wisconsin is not making so much of a roar as Taft—in fact, he is making no roar at all—but you'll hear from him later.

Grand Forks Press: The Press believes today, as it did some time ago, that there is a strong undercurrent of sentiment favorable to Mr. Johnson of Minnesota as the democratic nominee, and it believes, also, that there is an undercurrent in the east and south against Mr. Bryan. Also, Mr. Bryan has made great gains in the east and south, and it is only a question of whether or not he has gained enough to offset what sentiment there is against him.

On the surface today it appears that Mr. Bryan is the first choice of the democratic party of the nation, but this does not alter the belief of the Press that Mr. Johnson would make even a more successful fight than Mr. Bryan. This also does not change our attitude in regard to Mr. Bryan. We believe him to be one of the greatest statesmen of the age, and believe he would give us a most able administration as president. If nominated he will receive the hearty support of the Press.

The announcement today that the Baltimore News had announced itself for Johnson, and the evident fact that Mr. Johnson's stock has taken a decided advance since his eastern trip, gives renewed hope to those who hold the honest conviction that Gov. Johnson would be the best man to nominate.

All doubt about the answer to the vexing question about the propriety of rummage sales has been eliminated by a Des Moines incident in which a gentleman patron stabbed a lady patron in a controversy relating to the purchase of a rummage tid-bit. There's too much cutting up at these rummage sales.

Should a street car run over Senator Morris, he would be barred from recovering damages on the ground that in provoking a moment of errand in street car circles he was guilty of contributory negligence.

Andrew Carnegie announces himself in favor of asset currency. Wouldn't the stringency be as well relieved were Mr. Carnegie to incorporate his stocks and bonds under the style of a circulating library?

One wonders if the state utilities commission will take judicial notice of Mr. Edward's political complexion.

Mr. Edwards will be excusable if he is found with his trolley off today.

SPOTLIGHTS

Texas Tomorrow.

Broadhurst and Currie have sent many fine productions on the road in the past years, and this year is no exception to the rule, only that their efforts are more pretentious than those of previous seasons.

This is especially so of the western play, "Texas," a play which from its artistic standpoint is probably causing more favorable comment than any play now appearing at the popular priced theatres. It is full of sentiment, pathos and action, and probably as realistic a scene as was ever devised occurs in the third act, when the "greaser" Pasquale escapes from jail, seeks out his foe, Jack Dallah, who in his weakness is dozing in a chair by the fireplace in Buckhead Ranch House. Dallah wakes up just in time to see Pasquale's reflection in a mirror over the mantel, and as Pasquale rushes upon him with a drawn knife and murderous intent, summons all his strength, and after a desperate struggle, kills the "greaser" with his own weapon. It is a scene that thrills the audience, and from the truthfulness of the action evokes a storm of applause from all parts of the house. "Texas" teems with thrilling incidents and startling climaxes. La Crosse theatre tomorrow afternoon and evening.

At the Bijou.

An unusually attractive program is on the boards at the Bijou this week, combining skill, talent and good stage appearance. The Rafts in their marvelous, juggling wire-act are good; Mr. Raft does some fearless stunts, sitting in a chair at a table, on a high wire, and numerous other things which always make a hit.

"Music hath charms" and certainly we have a good share of music this week.

It is all attractive music, too. Bell and Washburn give a good musical act, Miss Washburn having pretty gowns and pleasing stage mannerisms to help out her really good voice.

The accompaniment in the Indian song is played much too loud, for Miss Washburn fairly screams and then we can't hear her very well. In fact the bells could be dispensed with entirely and the pleasure of a really good trio be enhanced.

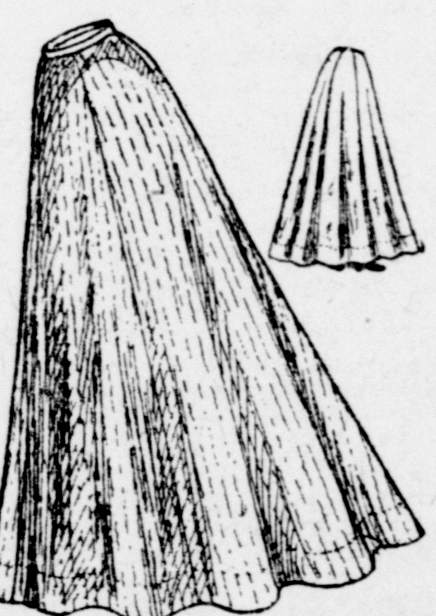
The O'Neill Trio as harmony singers, dancers, etc., are very pleasing and do a versatile turn. They are gentlemanly young fellows whose manner adds much to their performance and their voices blend well.

In Miss Daisy Gordon we have the pleasure of listening to a really fine voice. Her tones are properly placed and she sings with authority. Miss Gordon's Spanish song, her second number, seemed more spontaneous and free from effort than her first. "Annie Laurie" would be more pleasing a little faster, but she sings in good style and is a favorite with the audience.

The headliners this week are William Courtwright and Co. in their travesty scene from "Camille." One almost "shudders" to have their favorite play handled thus, but it is a good travesty and in capable hands. The excellent make-up add a great deal to the scene and the turn is most entertaining. Mr. La Vallie added more to his laurels by his rendition of an Indian song, "Sacramento," and the moving pictures given at the first and the last of the program are, as usual, much appreciated by the audience.

FASHION HINTS

(By May Mantou.)



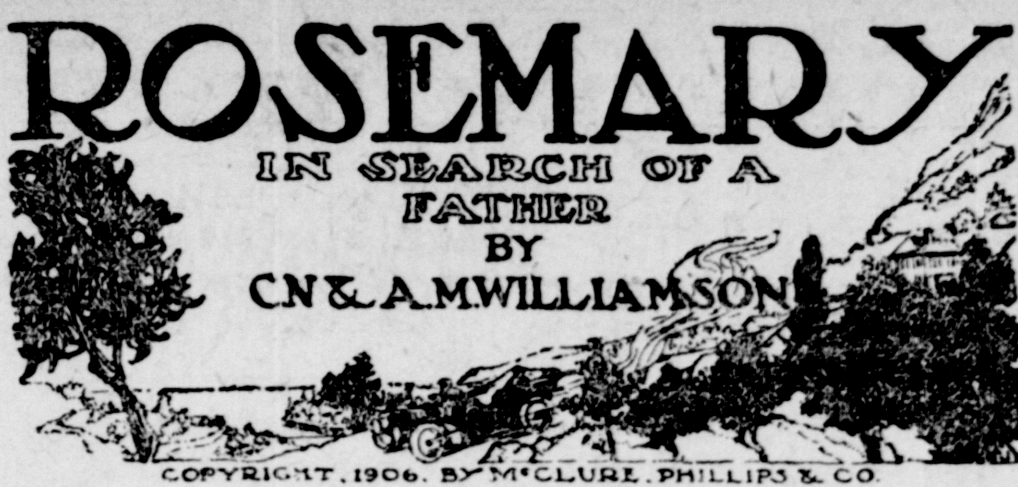
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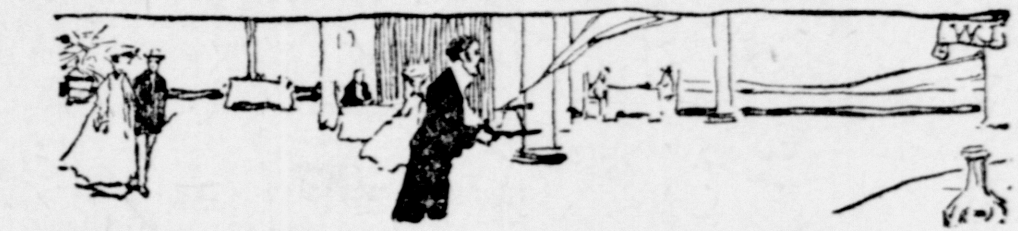
"I'll think of something pleasant for us to do if you'll let me."
"How good you are! Then till this evening. It will seem long till then."

They shook hands once more. She had taken off her glove now, and her palm left on his a reminiscence of Peau d'Espagne. He did not know what the scent was, but it smelled rich and artificial, and he disliked to associate it with his new friend. "But probably it's her mother's, and she didn't choose it herself," he thought. "Well, I have a new interest in life now. I expect this is the best thing that's happened to me for a long time."

As he walked back to his hotel his head was full of plans for the girl's transient pleasure and lasting benefit. "Poor lonely child!" he thought. "And what a mother! She ought not to be left with a person like that. She ought to marry. It would be a good deed to take her away from such an influence. So young and so ingenuous as she is still, in spite of the surroundings she must have known, she is capable of becoming a noble woman. Perhaps if she turns out to be really as sweet and gentle as she seems"—

The sentence broke off unfinished in his mind and ended with a great sigh.

There could be only second best and third best things in life for him now, since love was over, and it would be impossible for him to care for an angel from heaven who had not the face and the dear ways of the girl he had lost. But second best things might be better than no good things at all if only one made up one's mind to accept them thankfully. And it was a shame to waste so much money on himself when there were soft eyed, innocent girls in the world who ought to be sheltered and protected from harm.



Chapter Three

HE soft eyed, innocent girl who had inspired the thought went into the hotel and was rather cross to the youthful concierge because the ascenseur was not working. There were three flights of stairs to mount before she reached her room, and she was so anxious to open her bag to see what was inside that she ran up very fast, so fast that she stepped on her dress and ripped out a long line of gathers. Her eyes were not nearly as soft as they had been while she picked up the hanging folds of pink cloth and went on.

The narrow corridor at the top of the staircase was somewhat dark, and her eyes accustomed to the brilliant light out of doors, the girl stumbled against a child who was coming toward her. "Petit bete!" she snapped. "You have all but made me fall. Awkward little thing! Why don't you keep out of people's way?"

The child flushed. She would have liked to answer that it was mademoiselle who had got in her way, but mother wished her to be always polite. "I am sorry," she replied instead, not saying a word about the poor little toes which the pretty pink lady had crushed.

"Well, then, if you are sorry, why don't you let me pass?" asked the girl of the soft eyes.

"If you please, I want to give you a note," said the child, anxiously searching a small pocket. "It's from mother for madame. She told me to take it to your door. So I did, several times, but nobody answered. Here 'tis, please, mademoiselle."

Mademoiselle snatched it from the hand, which was very tiny and pink, with dimples where grownup folk have knuckles. She then pushed past the child and went on to a door at the end of the passage, which she threw open without knocking.

"Eh bien, Julie! You have been gone long enough to break the bank twice over. What luck have you had?" exclaimed the husky voice of a woman who sat in an easy chair beside a wood fire, telling her own fortune with an old pack of cards spread upon a sewing board on her capacious lap.

She was in a soiled dressing gown of purple flannel, with several of the buttons off. In the clear light of a window at the woman's back her hair, with a groundwork of crimson, was overshot with iridescent lights. On a small table at her side a tray had been left, with the remains of dejeuner—a jug stained brown with streaks of coffee, a crumpled crescent roll, some balls of silver paper which had contained cream chocolates, ends of cigarettes and a scattered gray film of ashes. At her feet a toy black Pomeranian lay coiled on the torn bodice of a red dress, and all the room was in disorder, with an indiscriminate litter of hats, gloves, French novels, feather boas, slippers and fallen blouses and skirts.

The lady of the roses went to the mirror over the untidy mantelpiece and looked at herself as she answered, "No luck at roulette or trente, but the best of luck outside."

"What, then?"

The girl began to hum as she powdered her nose with a white glove lying in a powder box.

"You remember Jeannette?"

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New gloves, a morning gown;
A pair of slippers and a hat,
A quilt of eiderdown.
Sister wants a party dress.
An opera cloak and fan;
A pair of side combs for her hair,
A walking skirt of tan.
She'd like to get a diamond ring,
A locket and a chain,
A silver manicure set,
A bag called chatelaine.
Brother wants another sled.
An engine run by steam;
He wants a rugby football, for
He plays upon the team.
He wants a pair of racing skates,
A set of Optic's books;
And he expects to get them all,
Quite plainly, from his looks.
The baby must have building blocks,
A rattle and a drum,
A colored linen picture book
About Sir Thomas Thumb.
Then Uncle Jim must get a pipe,
Aunt Susan collar tops;
To Cousin May we have to send
A box of chocolate drops.
Our nieces and our nephews, too
Now number twenty-four,
And everyone of them must be
Remembered, as of yore—
On top of this a score of friends
That we must not forget,
Because they may remember us—
O, there are others yet!
The janitor must have a tip.
The barber waits his share;
The elevator man has placed
A bank upon his chair.
The shopping day list is now complete,
As Christmas day draws near,
I realize that I must be
A frenzied financier.
—Detroit Free Press.

For Show.

"As you see by my collection of the poets," said Mr. Parvenu, proudly, as he showed the glories of his newly fitted up library, "I make it a point to secure all the gems of literature."
"Yes," murmured the critic, dryly, as he picked up a volume, "and I notice you prefer those gems uncut."—Baltimore American.

Her Only Chance.

Stella—Did she give a farewell dinner to her bridesmaids?
Bella—Yes. She isn't engaged yet, but the cook is going to leave.—Harper's Bazaar.

WANTS BREWERIES TO IMPROVE RIVERS



REP. EARNEST F. ACHESON, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Representative Acheson of Pennsylvania is the latest to propose new burdens for the brewer and beer drinker. He has introduced in the house of representatives a voluminous document suggesting that the tax on beer be raised from \$1 to \$2 per barrel and that the revenue therefrom be placed to the credit of the rivers and harbors of the country. Representative Acheson figures that navigation of the beer stream has now become sufficiently successful to warrant reciprocal co-operation in making equally successful navigation of the rivers and harbors of the land.

WE MUST HAVE FAITH.

(Free Press.)
"In the struggle between graft and democracy," says Mr. Langdon, "let us see clearly that defeat means the ultimate death of free institutions. Above the misleading cries that emerge from one imperfect social ethics let us have the courage to stand for high things. With leaders who are not afraid, with honest people who are willing to support the truth, with expert service and an effective criminal procedure, democracy can be saved from its new-found weaknesses. It has been saved in San Francisco, and it can be redeemed elsewhere. Every moral uplift in the community leaves its permanent contribution—in this we must have deep faith."

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Why Pay More Elsewhere? when you can save on Every Purchase Here.

DAVENPORTS

Reg. Price
\$18.00—One Drop End Davenport, Quartered Sawed Oak Frame, Upholstered with velvet—Sale price \$12.50

\$23.00—One Drop End Davenport, Upholstered with Velvet—Sale price .. \$15.50

\$37.50—One Mahogany Davenport, Upholstered with Fanny Tapestry—Sale price \$29.00

\$40.00—One Mahogany Frame Davenport, Upholstered with Pan Plush—Sale price \$32.50

Reg. Price.
\$50.00—One Mahogany Frame Davenport, covered with Crushed Plush. Sale price \$42.00

\$60.00—One Mahogany Frame Davenport, covered with No. 1 Leather. Sale price \$49.00

\$37.50—One Somersault Bed Davenport, Upholstered with Green Crushed Plush, has 80 Coil Springs. Sale price \$31.00

\$32.50—One Somersault Bed Davenport, Upholstered with Velvet, has 80 Coil Springs. Sale price .. \$26.00

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KARL WOLFE HIT BY ONALASKA CAR

SALOONKEEPER IS SEVERELY INJURED BY BLOW

SUSTAINED A BROKEN LIMB

Reported That Lights Were Out and That Conductor Was Inside, But Is Denied by Livermore.

Carl Wolfe, proprietor of the Wolfe saloon on the West Salem road was struck by the Onalaska street car Saturday night and seriously injured. Wolfe was crossing the track on his way home when the car struck him.

It is stated that the lights were out in the car at the time of the accident and that the conductor was inside of the car collecting fares, but Superintendent Livermore of the La Crosse City Railway company denied this, asking: "What kind of a car service do you think that we are running?"

Superintendent Livermore said that Wolfe was crossing the track with a big collar turned up around his ears and that he was as deaf as a post and that he did not see or hear the car. Superintendent Livermore did not say whether the motor-man saw Mr Wolfe and attempted to stop.

Wolfe was carried for some distance on the fender.

A doctor was immediately summoned and Wolfe was removed to his home, where examination showed that he had sustained a broken limb as well as other painful injuries. He will be laid up for some time.

MRS. DWYER GIVES BENEFIT SUPPER

Mrs. William Dwyer will entertain at a supper and coffee Thursday afternoon and evening at her home on Mill and Hagar streets, for the benefit of the St. James church. She will be assisted by the Mesdames N. Frey, George W. Young, James Byrne, M. J. Sullivan, James H. McCarthy, L. L. Murphy and H. W. Singer.

The ladies have prepared a dainty menu which will be served from 5:30 on throughout the evening.

This is the third of a series of suppers and coffees which have been given by the ladies of the congregation during this fall and several net purses have been raised for the benefit of the church. This is expected to eclipse any of the former, in attendance.

FINDS HIS METHODS ARE UP TO DATE

Louis Jenks, manager of the Arctic Ice and Fuel company, has returned from a trip through the east where he has been inspecting houses and studying the methods used by the great ice packers in the vicinity of the great lakes.

According to Mr. Jenks he found that his plant was equal to, if not better, than the plants in the east and that he found that nothing could be done that would improve his plant, with the exception of a system of loading refrigerator cars which he will adopt immediately.

The work of loading the cars has always been the muscle work of the business but with the new methods the hard labor will be entirely eliminated. The ice will be pulled up the slide from the river by motor power and a slide will jog off over to the top of the cars thus doing away with all the work of separately handling the ice for the refrigerator cars.

Mr. Jenks' trip took him along the eastern coast of lake Michigan and he visited all of the ice houses in that district.

W. J. BRANDON TO RE-OPEN THEATRE

W. J. Brandon has again entered the theatrical business on the north side and has hastened over the management of the Empire, or the Electric theatre. The theatre will open under his management about Thursday and all efforts will be used to make it a success.

The chief desire of the north side is for a vaudeville and not a moving picture show. People are unwilling to pay ten cents to see a moving picture show on the north side when for the same price they can see several good vaudeville stunts some place else. Just what plan Mr. Brandon will adopt is not known.

GEORGE FIDLIN IS ABOARD KEARSARGE

Another La Crosse boy who is on the Pacific cruise with Admiral Evans fleet is George Fidlin, son of Mrs. Emma Fidlin, 719 Berlin street, North side. He is a seaman aboard the Kearsarge and writes enthusiastically of his trip. He was 16 years old when he enlisted 2 years ago, and he has two years still to serve.

DANIEL M'LAUGHLIN DIES IN WASHINGTON

PIONEER OF CITY SUCCUMBS IN THE WEST

WO RD RECEIVED OF DEMISE

Daughter Went West to Nurse Her Father Back to Health, But End Came Few Days Ago

Word was received yesterday by Mrs. Dunnell, residing at the head of French Island, from Miss Sarah McLaughlin, formerly of this city, who has been in Washington for the past month, to the effect that the latter's father, Daniel McLaughlin, a pioneer resident of this city, had passed away about a week ago. The funeral has already been held and interment was made at that place.

Daniel McLaughlin was well known in Onalaska, La Crosse and West La Crosse, and was one of the early settlers of this vicinity. He was a member of the North La Crosse G. A. R. About three years ago he left for the state of Washington, where he settled upon a homestead. A short time ago he became ill and his two sons Edward and Benjamin went west to care for him.

Miss Sarah McLaughlin who is well known in La Crosse and West La Crosse, went there about a month ago and tried to nurse her father back to health. Her efforts seemed to help him very much, and he rallied, but later grew worse until the end came a few days ago.

Deceased is also survived by a widow at the Soldiers' home at Wau-paca, and also by a son William, who resides at J on River.

SPRAINS ANKLE FALLING FROM CAR

Michael Sauer, 806 Charles street, a stoker in the sheds at the C. M. and St. P. met with a serious accident while at work this morning.

Mr. Sauer was on the top of a box car in the sheds, and slipped and fell, seriously injuring his ankle. Doctor Sultor was called and had the man removed to his home where examination developed the fact that his ankle was sprained.

The injury was dressed by the doctor. Mr. Sauer will be laid up for about six weeks.

NORTH SIDE BRIEFS

Arthur R. Schulze spent yesterday in Rushford, Minn., in the interests of the Stollreck company.

Railroad men report Christmas travel is heavy, many people traveling to various parts of the country to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

STEEL TRUST WILL NOT MAKE WAGE CUT

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—It became known today that the finance committee of the United States Steel corporation has decided to send out notices recalling the recent order to cut wages. These reductions were in some instances to amount to 30 per cent, while the average was to be considerably more than 10 per cent. These orders were to have taken effect Jan. 1, 1908.

It is better to work than to be worked.

Sweet are the uses of adversity—for our neighbors.

COREN'S

THE STORE OF NEW GOODS A VERITABLE CHRISTMAS STORE

We have those very articles which will be appropriate, suitable and satisfactory as gifts for your friends, such things, as your purse will allow, your good taste commend and your judgment approve. As for price we are determined to make this a Merry Christmas indeed for all our customers, and to assure every buyer at our store honest values in goods that are unquestioned bargains at the prices asked.

XMAS SALE HANDKERCHIEFS



Women's Handkerchiefs, barred effects, white or colored lines, 15c values, special each 12½c

25c Linen Handkerchiefs, with embroidered designs in corner, special 18c

All Over Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty and new. Special price 25c

Handsome Lace or Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 3 for \$1.00, or each 35c

65c and 75c Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, special each 50c

Boxed Handkerchiefs, children's linen initial and kerchiefs, put up in a fancy box, at box, 19c and 25c

Women's Handkerchiefs, put up in fancy Xmas boxes, at box, 50c and \$1.00

Dainty Embroidered Handkerchiefs, one in fancy Xmas boxes, at 75c and 85c

FANCY HOSE FOR GIFTS

Women's Fancy Hose, fast black cotton, emb designs, at pair 25c

Women's Fancy Hose, small embroidered designs, at 3 pair for \$1.00, or pair 38c

Women's Lace Hose, cotton or lisle dainty embroidered effects, at pair 50c

Boxed Hosiery, lisle hose, neat embroidered effect, put up in a fancy Xmas box at each 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00 and up to \$1.50

Silk Hose, one pair in a pretty holly box, at pair \$1.75 to \$3.50

Men's Fancy Hose, cotton or lisle, neat embroidered effects, at pair 25c and 50c

Children's Hose, silk in pink, light blue and white, at pair 65c

STORE
OPEN
EVENINGS
UNTIL
CHRISTMAS



PITTSBURG DIVORCE CRAZY SAYS COREY

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 17.—Little else is talked of in Pittsburgh today but the troubles of Joseph Schwab, brother of Charles M. Schwab, the steel king, with his wife, formerly Miss Esther Munhall of Pittsburgh, from whom it is said he will seek a divorce.

J. B. Corey, uncle of President Ellis Corey of the steel corporation, lifelong friend of Capt. John Munhall, father of Mrs. Schwab, said this afternoon:

"Anything I can do to help a member of the family of my old friend Munhall I will do. I feel that there can hardly be any blame attached to Schwab's wife in any way. I have just been looking up the divorce business in this crazed Pitts-

burg district and I find that there have been more divorces applied for in one day in Allegheny county or by Allegheny county people than were applied for by the entire population of Canada in thirty years. It looks as if every one was going crazy. Some one ought to go to Schwab and tell him some things. It looks as if he was to emulate the example of Ellis Corey, an example of which the Corey name is not proud. I can tell you."

B. M. DONALDSON RELIEVED OF DEBT

B. M. Donaldson of La Crosse was discharged from bankruptcy this morning by Judge A. L. Sanborn of Madison.

A petition of voluntary bankruptcy was filed a few weeks ago.

DECIDE ON LOCAL NORMAL PLANS

SENATOR MORRIS ATTENDS A REGENT MEETING TODAY

DELAYS-ARE NOW ALL OVER

Local Regent Expects That Final Action Will be Taken and That Work Will Start Early.

Plans for the new La Crosse normal school probably will be adopted at a meeting of the executive committee of the state board of normal

regents at Madison, Wis., today. State Senator Thomas Morris, a member of the committee, is in Madison today, attending the meeting.

After several delays, caused by changes in the arrangements of the rooms, Architects Van Ryn & De Gellek, Milwaukee, Wis., have promised to have the plans in readiness.

The executive committee has full knowledge of the plans for the new building, and probably will adopt them without hesitation.

"HOP ALE" JOINTS FINED \$2,000

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 17.—The sensational prosecution for violation of the liquor laws concluded yesterday when ex-saloonists who have been running "hop ale" resorts in Champaign were fined \$2,000 and costs in the county court. All the places closed their doors yesterday and Champaign is "dry."

ELECTROCUTE TWO NEGROES FOR MURDER

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 17.—C. Gibson and Stephen Dorsey, Camden negroes, were electrocuted in prison today. They were convicted of killing two women in an attempted robbery.

GOES TO WAUPUN WITH C. PREUTZ

Sheriff C. J. Burns left today for Waupun, Wis., with Charles Preutz, 700 North Third street, who was sentenced to Waupun for one year and a half for burglary Saturday. Preutz entered a plea of guilty to entering the Valys Garment company plant, and stealing several valuable bolts of cloth.

Love is blind, therefore it can't see its finish.

BUY NOW

While our assortment of Electric Table Lamps is complete. Nothing you could buy for the Xmas Gift would please HIM more than one of these beautiful lamps.

Prices range from

\$3.00 to \$15.00

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227 MAIN ST

SATISFACTION follows the choosing of Christmas Cigar Gifts from among the famous brands which are distributed only by

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Nothing more acceptable or satisfactory to the discriminating smoker than the brands listed below. Include them in your Christmas Giving:

TOM MOORE.

The largest selling 10 cent cigar made—in shapes and sizes to please your fancy. A person receiving a box of Tom Moors knows it to be a high grade cigar.

ROMULUS.

A broad leaf wrapped Havana filled cigar, unequalled in quality. \$3.50 per box of 50 to \$4.00, according to size.

SOMETHING NEW.

Our shade grown Porto Rican cigars, the finest ever offered to smokers in this country. The higher grade sold under the brand "Savaronas," 10 cents to 20 cts. each. Box prices very reasonable.

VALLE RICO.

Boxes of 50 at \$2.00. Beautiful in appearance and exceptionally fine.

EL SIELO

CLEAR HAVANAS Universally popular — 20 sizes—ranging from the 5 cent quality (known as seconds) to the higher grade Spanish made cigars.

BULWER.

Domestic in several sizes, a mild cigar of the best grade.

GREAT CHARTER.

Boxes of 12, 50c; boxes of 25 \$1.00; boxes of 50, \$2.00. Our latest brand, fast gaining in popularity.

OTHER 5 CENT BRANDS.

Henry George, "A great 5-cent Cigar."

Little Tom (Havana filled)—Really a cigar in quality to suit those who smoke domestic cigars of higher cost. Casino, Invincibles, in boxes of 25, at \$1.25.

Casino, Invincibles, in boxes of 50, at \$2.25.

Casino, Cabinets, in boxes of 50, at \$2.25.

You will find them in every home where good cigars are smoked. Drop in at the Smokers' Paradise.

The Fay Lewis Store, 313 Main St.

Christmas Boxes Fancy Washington Apples

\$2.00 per box

You can get them from any First Class
Grocer in the city or at

**JOHN C. BURNS
FRUIT HOUSE.**

AT BEYSLAG'S

DRUG STORE 503 MAIN ST. ARE

Perfumes in boxes 25c
Toilet sets \$1.25
Canes 50c
Photograph albums \$1.00
Military Brush Sets \$1.50
Toilet Mirrors 35c
Baby Toilet Sets \$1.25
Gloves and Hdckht Sets \$1.00
Collar and Cuff Boxes \$1.00
Smokers' Sets \$1.50
Post Card Albums 50c
Manicure Sets \$2.00
Toilet Sets, 3 piece \$1.25
Chest Protectors 50c
Fountain Pens \$1.00
Shaving Cup and Brush 50c
Shaving Sets in Boxes \$1.50

H. W. BARKER

That's the name; his cough medicine is for sale

At Runckel's Drug Store
NOTHING LIKE IT.

SOCIETY

CLUBS WILL NOT

PLAY THIS WEEK
Mrs. S. B. Oatman has been quite sick for the past week and will not be able to entertain the Wednesday 500 club, which was to have met with her tomorrow. The club will not meet again until the first Wednesday after the New Year. All the clubs have decided not to play again until the holiday. As past, as the Christmas preparations for the loved ones at home and those that are coming, are absorbing every one's time and energy. Many guests will be welcomed through the holiday week, some for a few days and some for the fortnight. There will also be a few house-parties.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

LAST SUNDAY
A pleasant birthday surprise was given Miss Annetta Moevs of 221 Market street, last Sunday afternoon, when a number of her young friends assembled at her home. Among the guests were: Alma Schultz, Monica Wermuth, Marguerite Wermuth, Florence Moevs, Edna Rogstad, Carola Kaulfus, Lizzie Schlutter, Gladys Moevs, Anna Affelt, Erna Young and Frieda Moevs.
It was Miss Moevs' thirteenth birthday and a pretty gold ring was presented to her as a token of esteem by her friends.

READINGS PLEASING.

Miss Elenor Miller of St. Paul entertained a fair sized audience last evening at the First Methodist church with readings from great authors and proved herself to be a most gifted elocutionist.

COMING AND GOING.

Mrs. Dyson Dagget of Minneapolis is expected home tonight to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pettingill. Mr. Dagget will come down for a few days later.

Mrs. Alice Albhorn who has been here visiting her children, Mr. L. Metcalf and Mrs. J. A. Wilhelm, returned to her home in Ontario, N. Y., last night.

Mrs. Paul Pamperin and family will spend the holidays under the parental roof in Milwaukee.
Mr. James Kerr, Sr., and Miss Nettie Kerr of Preston, Minn., arrived in the city yesterday for a short visit with relatives. Mr. Kerr will go to Illinois to visit his old home before returning.

Mrs. H. A. Lee returned on Saturday from a two weeks' visit to Des Moines, Dubuque and Savanna.

LAST TRIBUTE TO ANTON ERICKSEN

The last tributes to the late Anton Erickson will be paid Thursday afternoon at the residence, 1225 Winnebago street, at 2 o'clock. Services will be held at the Norwegian Lutheran church, corner Sixth and Division streets, at 2:30. Rev. H. G. Maglessen will conduct the services and interment will take place at the Oak Grove cemetery.

To fear or to worry is as sinful as to curse.

PERSONALS

Of course you want the best candies—get Pfund's, our own make.
H. G. Rogers has returned from Viroqua where he was called on a business mission.
Miss Margaret Wilson has gone to Seattle, where she will spend the holidays.
The official Saengerfest cigar, manufactured by John Dengler. Call for it.
Dr. George Powell, consulting physician and surgeon.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. August Bartz of 525 Ferry street, Sunday.

All pine edgings, finest kindling in the land. Arctic Ice & Fuel Co., phones 231.

Mr. and Mrs. F. McCloud of this city are the guests of friends at Winona.

Dr. Will Powell, diseases of women. City Attorney John F. Doherty left at noon yesterday for Chicago, where he will remain for a short business visit.

Fine Electric Portables, Benton's. Prof. A. H. Schubert of the La Crosse high school, who has been ill with rheumatism at the St. Francis hospital for several days, is gradually improving and will be able to resume his duties in a few days.

When winds shriek high in fiendish gloom.

And enters winter with his key. Protect yourself, from disease be free.

Take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea.

Ask your Druggist.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Whyte and daughter of Milwaukee were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Abram James Sunday. Mr. Whyte left Sunday night, but will return to spend Christmas with his family.

Dr. Wm. Lambert, 419 South Fifth street. Residence, 1512 Madison street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tscharnier spent Sunday at Alma with the parents of the former, Mr. and Mrs. L. Tscharnier.

Great Bargains—D. H. Baldwin & Co.'s pianos are going at actual factory prices, at J. C. Callaway's store, 322 South Fourth street. Sale closes Dec. 21, 1907.

H. H. Bagor of Stevens Point is spending a few days in the city with friends.

J. W. Keil of Terre Haute, Ind., was in the city calling on friends yesterday.

You know as well as any one when you need something to regulate your system. If your bowels are sluggish, your food distresses you, your kidneys pain, take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It always relieves, 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

C. W. Bay of Moline was calling on old acquaintances in the city yesterday.

J. R. Runners of Sioux City is in the city for a few days on business mission.

Orino, Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new Laxative stimulant, but does not irritate. It is the best Laxative. Guaranteed or your money back. O. T. Erhart.

W. G. Larson of Rising Sun is calling on friends in the city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Engans of Mabel are visiting friends and relatives in the city.

This is the season of decay and weakened vitality; good health is hard to retain. If you'd retain yours, fortify your system with Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, the surest way. 35c, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

Mrs. M. Abrahamson of Houston is the guest of friends in the city for a few days.

Mrs. E. F. Bunn of this city leaves

soon for Madison, where she will spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Those Cuban Heel Rubbers, you can get at Gautsch's, 524 Main.

W. J. Rutherford of Rusford is transacting business in the city for a few days.

A. A. Hammer of Moline is in the city for a few days on a business mission.

Hack calls promptly attended to. Phone 179 Gateway City Trfr Line.

H. Nelson has returned to his home in Ferryville after visiting with friends in the city.

Mrs. C. H. Burrow of McGregor is in the city the guest of friends this week.

O. C. Johnson of Houston was calling on business acquaintances in the city yesterday.

Millions of bottles of Foley's Honey and Tar have been sold without any person ever having experienced any other than beneficial results from its use for coughs, colds and lung troubles. This is because the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package contains no opiates or other harmful drugs. Guard your health by refusing any but the genuine. O. T. Erhart.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gessler of Viroqua are in the city visiting friends and relatives.

Ed. Olson of Coon Valley is renewing acquaintances in the city this week.

Mrs. H. H. Hopkins of McGregor is the guest of friends and relatives in La Crosse.

J. C. Arnolds of eNillsville is in the city for a few days on a business mission.

J. A. Norris of Madison was in the city yesterday calling on business acquaintances.

M. Ryan has returned to his home in Caledonia after transacting business in La Crosse.

Mrs. Jos. Buton of Butte, Mont., is the guest of relatives in La Crosse during the holidays.

J. J. Conway of Wykoff was transacting business in the city during the last few days.

Roger Murrel left today for Arkansas, where he will join the Conrads' shows as manager.

Miss Genevieve Dyer of Houston is the guest of friends in La Crosse this week.

A. W. Salisbury of Winona was a business caller in the city for a short time yesterday.

J. W. McLain of Ridgeway was in the city yesterday calling on business acquaintances.

J. A. Paulson has returned to his home in St. Ita after transacting business in the city.

ASK J. W. GRAY BE ADJUDGED BANKRUPT

The creditors of John W. Gray of New Albin, Chippewa county, have filed a petition of involuntary bankruptcy and ask that he be adjudged a bankrupt.

The matter is returnable on Dec. 30th.

LEMON, CHOCOLATE, CUSTARD

These are the three varieties of "OUR-PIE" preparation which are creating so much favorable comment everywhere. Each package is put up according to the strictest Pure Food Laws. It does not require an experienced cook to make good pies from "OUR-PIE." Just the proper proportions of all ingredients are in the package ready for your immediate use. At grocers, 10 cents.

CARD OF THANKS.

To all our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved father, we extend our sincere thanks.

MRS. ERICK ERICKSON,
and Family.

CITY NEWS

STORES OPEN—For the remainder of the time before Christmas, the big stores will remain open evenings. Large crowds of shoppers are down town each evening.

MARRIED HERE—Mrs. Alice Hunter and Asher Gorsline of Viroqua were quietly married last evening by Rev. H. Paville of the First Congregational church.

MAIL RUSH ON—The rush at the local postoffice is now on in earnest and Postmaster W. B. Tscharnier said this morning that he again wished to issue the annual warning that people who send packages of any value should have them registered.

DANCE THIS EVENING—This evening the dance will be given by the E. F. U. in the Woodman hall.

ON THE JOB—Humane Officer Charles H. Berry, who has been ill for the past few weeks is again able to be out. He called at the central police station this morning for the old clothes which had been gathered up there.

HOGS PLENTIFUL—Dressed hogs have been brought to the city in large quantities during the past few days. Farmers from Minnesota are the heaviest dealers, and are getting from \$5.50 to \$6 per hundred.

SAVE EXPENSE—The McMillan building elevator will be closed down hereafter at 6:30 instead of 8 o'clock.

MEET TONIGHT—W. A. Northcott camp, No. 9635, will hold their regular monthly meeting this evening at Travelers hall. General routine of business will be taken up.

FUNERAL WEDNESDAY—The funeral of the late Wenzel Netwal will be held Wednesday morning from St. Joseph's cathedral. Rev. Father Sluyter will officiate and interment will take place at the Catholic cemetery.

K. of C. SMOKER—The Knights of Columbus will give a smoker in their hall on Dec. 18. Invitations to the function are being sent out.

TRANSPLANT TREES IN RIVERFRONT PARK

The board of public works has a crew of men busy removing trees from the park between Fourth and Fifth streets on King and also from the Eighth street park for the purpose of transplanting them in the River park, which has been greatly enlarged during the past summer. River park, when completed will be one of the prettiest parks in the northwest. It is still in the embryo although much has been filled in during the past summer. It will, when completed, be about two blocks in width and three blocks long extending from State street to the mouth of the La Crosse river.

That city engineer has stationed stakes where the trees are to be placed and a large number will be transplanted.

MILEAGE BOOKS ARE RE-ISSUED

Western 2,000 and 1,000 mile "bearer" mileage books are being issued by the railroads again after they took them off when the new two-cent fare went into effect. A provision in the books are "Not good locally in states having two-cents per mile fare."

"Since the abolishment of the books in July, traveling men and others have made several complaints," said a local agent, "but after they have been issued, few are taking the advantage and buying the tickets."

E. W. Wellman of Winona is in the city for a few days on a business mission.

THE CONSTANT RUSH

—at our store prevents us taking the time to give you a list of the hundreds of Holiday Gifts we have for the shopper—We will just say that we have a larger and better selected stock this season than ever before and everything at our customary low prices.

FREE! FREE! A SOUVENIR

With every \$5.00 purchase we will give FREE One Sterling Silver plain beaded edge Teaspoon, Pembroke Pattern.

FREE, A SOUVENIR

With every \$10.00 purchase or over, One Sterling Silver HEAVYWEIGHT Teaspoon, Buttercup Pattern.

Spoons given as above stated till Xmas.

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THE HIGHEST PRAISE

Is bestowed upon our electrical supplies. Not without reason, either, for competent judges have passed upon the merits of our appliances in this very modern and useful line, and our way of putting them in working order in homes and places of business. The best judges, too—they who pay the bills—say our charges are very moderate.

BENTON & SON

Phones 178. Front and Pearl Sts.



Wm. Courtright & Co., at the Bijou.

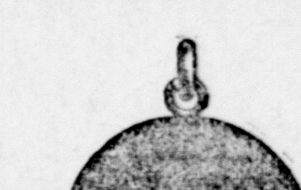
IRVINE'S

The Popular Priced Jewelry Store of La Crosse

CHRISTMAS GIFTS



Solid Gold Ring, Diamond in Mouth, Ruby Eyes, \$9.00, \$11.00, \$18.00.



Solid Gold Locket, Genuine Diamond, Large Size, \$11.50, Gold Filled Rhinestone, \$2.50.



Scarf Pin, like cut, Gold Filled, Rhinestone in mouth, Red or Green Eyes, \$1.00.

THE DECIDING ISSUE

In Diamond and Jewelry Buying is at the cross roads of Quality and Price. Many houses use "Quality" as a term of convenience, a play ground where price romps about until it becomes unruly and runs away.

In this way quality is a much abused excuse for high price-making. Quality is either Good or not at all. It's the good quality that rules in this house and it's the extreme smallness of price, coupled with that "Quality" that have made this the most popular house in its line.

We are amply prepared to solve all Christmas Gift problems with an unexcelled stock of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, and Novelties. Our prices are right as a comparison will prove.

Prices are irresistible. We buy direct from headquarters and save the middleman's profit.

SIGN OF THE POST CLOCK

W. T. IRVINE 429 MAIN ST. LA CROSSE, WIS.

A Santa Claus! A Santa Claus!
A Resue! Hip hooray!
Let panics come and panics go!
We'll save our Christmas Day!

What ho, ye varletis of the Press
And ministers of state,
You've saved the banks, but Santa Claus
You've let unto his fate.

They tell me that his jolly pack
He scarce has toys to fill
Because he lacks the ready cash
To pay his yearly bill.

Go sound the tocsin from the tower
And fire the culverin,
Rouse every bloated millionaire!
Call every dollar in!

Call in the men of mighty wealth
And show them it were best
That we should see each Christmas tree
With olden splendor drest.

'Twere better far that men should grieve
And timid women weep,
Than that from little children we
Their Christmas cheer should keep.

So let us all with cheerful hearts
Put all our goods in hock,
Ere we allow in all the land
One little empty sock.

HOLIDAY

Mirrors, new and bright;
Toilet Goods built for wear;
Manicure Goods that cut;
Perfumes, a perfect Niagara;
Chic Stationery, Cigars,
Shaving Sets, Kodaks.

These are just a few suggestions. Come in and look us over.

You are from "Missouri!"
We'll "show you."

ERHART'S

RED CROSS DRUG STORES

And the average man knows better how to do another man's work than he knows how to do his own.

The Knock-out Blow.

The blow which knocked out Corbett was a revelation to the prize fighters. From the earliest days of the ring the knock-out blow was aimed for the jaw, the temple or the jugular vein. Stomach punches were thrown in to worry and weary the fighter, but if a scientific man had told one of the old fighters that the most vulnerable spot was the region of the stomach, he'd have laughed at him for an ignoramus. Dr. Pierce is bringing home to the public a parallel fact; that the stomach is the most vulnerable organ out of the prize ring as well as in it. We protect our heads, throats, feet and lungs, but the stomach we are utterly indifferent to, until disease finds the solar plexus and knocks us out. Make your stomach sound and strong by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and you protect yourself in your most vulnerable spot. "Golden Medical Discovery" cures "weak stomach," indigestion, or dyspepsia, torpid liver, bad, thin and impure blood and other diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition. The "Golden Medical Discovery" has a specific curative effect upon all mucous surfaces and hence cures catarrh, no matter where located or what stage it may have reached. In Nasal Catarrh it is well to cleanse the passages with Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy while using the "Discovery" as a constitutional remedy. Why the "Golden Medical Discovery" cures catarrhal diseases, as of the stomach, bowels, bladder and other pelvic organs will be plain to you if you will read a booklet of extracts from the writings of eminent medical authorities, endorsing its ingredients and explaining their curative properties. It is mailed free on request. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. This booklet gives all the ingredients entering into Dr. Pierce's medicines from which it will be seen that they contain not a drop of alcohol, pure, triple-refined glycerine being used instead. Dr. Pierce's great thousand-page illustrated Common Sense Medical Adviser will be sent free, paper-bound, for 21 one-cent stamps, or cloth-bound for 31 stamps. Address Dr. Pierce as above.

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 Imported and Domestic
 Mineral Water, Ginger Ales, Club Soda, Pass Ales, Dublin Stout, Etc.
 FULL LINE OF BAR GLASSWARE
 Both Phones 198
 222 AND 224 PEARL STREET

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Rocky Mountain Tea
 A Busy Medicine for Busy People.
 Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.
 A Specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney troubles, Piles, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. Its Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER'S DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis.
GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

I have lot of Diamonds, will sell at Half Their Value
C. B. STEVENS
 OPTICIAN.
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 TYPEWRITERS SOLD AND RENTED, 410 N. THIRD STREET, NEW PHONE, 523R, OLD 4204.

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 Electric Work at the price of any other firm. BOTH PHONES

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 318 MAIN
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 ADMISSION 10 CENTS

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT
HENRY & FRANK'S
LUNCH ROOM
 AND
SHORT ORDERHOUSE
 118 NORTH THIRD STREET,
 LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN.

He who kills time will eventually discover that it comes back to haunt him.

GETS DESCRIPTION OF NEW STATION

WASHINGTON UNION DEPOT IS FINEST IN THE WORLD

LOCAL AGENT GETS GUIDE

Gives Complete Description of Marble Building Where Thousands of Travelers See Capital

Ticket Agent I. L. Wood of the Burlington depot has just received his monthly edition of the United States official railroad guide in which there is an editorial on the large new union depot which has recently been completed at Washington, D. C.

One feature of the new union depot is a reception room for the use of the president and distinguished visitors of Washington, with a special entrance which is reserved for official dignitaries.

The editorial says: "The opening of the new union station at Washington is one of the great events of the year in the field of transportation."

Largest in World. "The new station is complete in its arrangements for the comfort of travelers and is the largest railroad station in the world. In its architectural dignity it is a fit companion for the national capitol and the congressional library of which it is a near neighbor. It occupies a commanding position, overlooking a large part of the city of Washington, and its surroundings and approaches are to be made beautiful in the way of parks and drives to conform to the general plans of improvement of the city of Washington."

"It is used by all the roads entering Washington either from the north or south. The Chesapeake and Ohio railroad entered the new union depot at Washington, D. C., on Sunday, Nov. 17th.

Dimensions. "The following are the dimensions of the new station as compared with the national capitol: Length, 760 feet; that of the capitol is 746 feet 6 1/2 inches; breadth from north to south is 343 feet and 9 inches; that of the capitol is 270 feet 10 inches. In the front of the station is a wide piazza 940 by 540 feet reaching Delaware avenue. The distance from the entrance to the piazza to the train shed is 833 feet and the train platform extends beyond that 1200 feet. From the entrance to the piazza to the farthest end of the train shed the distance is 2033 feet or nearly half a mile.

Space Holds U. S. Army. "The large concourse where passenger traffic is distributed contains 97,500 square feet of floor space, and would, it is said, contain the entire regular army of the United States. Leading from it are 33 passenger tracks, capable of accommodating 63 trains. The general waiting room is 236 feet long by 126 feet wide and the center of its roof is 120 feet from the floor.

The room is harmoniously decorated and well lighted with a circular window at each end of it 75 feet in diameter.

1,000 in Dining Room. "The main dining room is 80 by 100 feet with marble columns and appropriate mural decorations and has accommodations for 1,000 people at a time."

BOODLE SCANDAL IN MICH. LEGISLATURE

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 17.—Gov. Warner is going to Chicago this week to investigate charges of boodle that have come to him, implicating two members of the state senate, who, the story goes, met an agent for the International Harvester company in an upper room in a Lansing hotel.

The senators told the agent about the bill that had been introduced to put a binder twine plant in Jackson state prison, and remarked on the fact that it would in a great measure curtail the business and profit of the binder trust in Michigan. The agent was told that \$10,000 would "fix" this, there being ten senators who would have to be "gared."

The story has it that the senators (four of them finally getting into the deal), got impatient about the matter, not hearing from the harvester company, and one went so far as to wire the company, not only once but several times, and the agent exhibited the carefully worded telegrams as evidence, but so far has refused to let them pass out of his possession.

STORM WINDOWS FOR COURT HOUSE

The county board committee on grounds and buildings has awarded the contract for equipping the county building with storm windows to Louis Knutson. Thirty windows will be supplied. The contract calls for \$172.50.

MISS KELLY OUT AGAIN.

Miss Kathryn Kelly, clerk at Doerflinger's, who was injured a few weeks ago in the freight elevator shaft, and has been confined at the St. Francis hospital, is out again. She has not entirely recovered from the shock, but has come to the store to assist, as she has been there for so long that her experience is valuable.

BANK "SCRIP" SAVES LIFE.

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Dec. 17.—A clearing house certificate saved the life of Stewart Dunbar. Dunbar fell through a railroad trestle and would have been run down, had he not lighted the certificate and waved it as a signal of danger. The approaching handcar stopped.

Moderate Price

Calumet Baking Powder
 \$1.00 per 50 lbs. will be given for any appliance injurious to health found in Calumet.

GEN. OLIVER WANTS 612 NEW OFFICERS

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year and whose importance to the nation is but dimly realized by the average citizen, is likely to suffer."

"The line cannot be bled any more for detached service without becoming anemic, if, indeed, that condition is not already reached," says General Bell further. "The great majority of the absentees are company officers. Normally, there should be three officers with a company. That is a rare state of facts, however, and the rule is two or one only. The routine duty falling upon company officers is very great. The good old days have passed. These are the days of school in every garison—training all the year round, of practice marches and of summer camps; of boards and courts—so that the owner of a commission is a busy man, or ought to be. It means work, if the man is to do his duty; and the work is cut out for three officers per company; not for one or two."

Robbery of the company, the battalion, or the regiment of its best and most experienced officers, it is emphasized by General Bell, is what happens under the present regime of absenteeism. As a rule, it is the best officers that are utilized for detached service.

What becomes of all the officers that are detailed away from their organization? General Bell gives a list of how they were employed last June 30. There were 42 on the general staff, 91 on recruiting service, 73 at the United States military academy, 84 at the staff college at Fort Leavenworth, 49 at the artillery school at Fort Monroe, 56 instructors at state educational institutions, 29 aides-de-camp, 21 with the provisional government in Cuba, 13 with the isthmian canal commission, 20 with the Philippine scouts, 24 at war department headquarters, and the rest scattered about on various forms of duty. Some are military attaches, at the capitals of the leading military nations and others are undergoing training in various special branches of war science.

If the bill proposed by the war department is passed, it would add to the army 36 colonels, 54 lieutenant-colonels, 90 majors, 162 captains, 144 first lieutenants and 126 second lieutenants.

This year, the war department is asking for much legislation, for more officers, more men, more pay, more guns, big fortification expenditures and the like. Already, there is some grumbling in house and senate at the instance of the war and navy departments toward enormous expansion of the army and the fleets and all that pertains to them. Under these circumstances, and with the cry going up for economy, it will be hard to get the bill through, making a large increase in the number of officers. Still, the subject will receive much attention and discussion, especially in the military affairs committees of the house and senate.

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A WORD TO THE WAITER

Year after year, on CHRISTMAS week, this store is crowded with buyers who are hurried in the delayed performance of their Christmas shopping. They find some of the counters crowded two rows deep with other buyers equally hurried; they have not time to make the deliberate examination which results in the deliberate judgment; and some of the choice bits are gone. Let me respectfully suggest that this year you make your selection earlier. We want to give you more time and better attention than we can give you in Christmas week. We want you to see our stock before it is broken by the early buyers. Please take the fullest advantage of opportunity—and DON'T WAIT.

GORDER FUNERAL TOMORROW. The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Gorder, mother of Mrs. Gilbert Anderson, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, 117 North Eighth street and from the Norwegian Lutheran church at 2:30. Rev. Maglessen will conduct the services and interment will take place at the Oak Grove Cemetery. Mrs. Theo. Mansted has charge.

Very respectfully,
 LA CROSSE CITY RAILWAY COMPANY.

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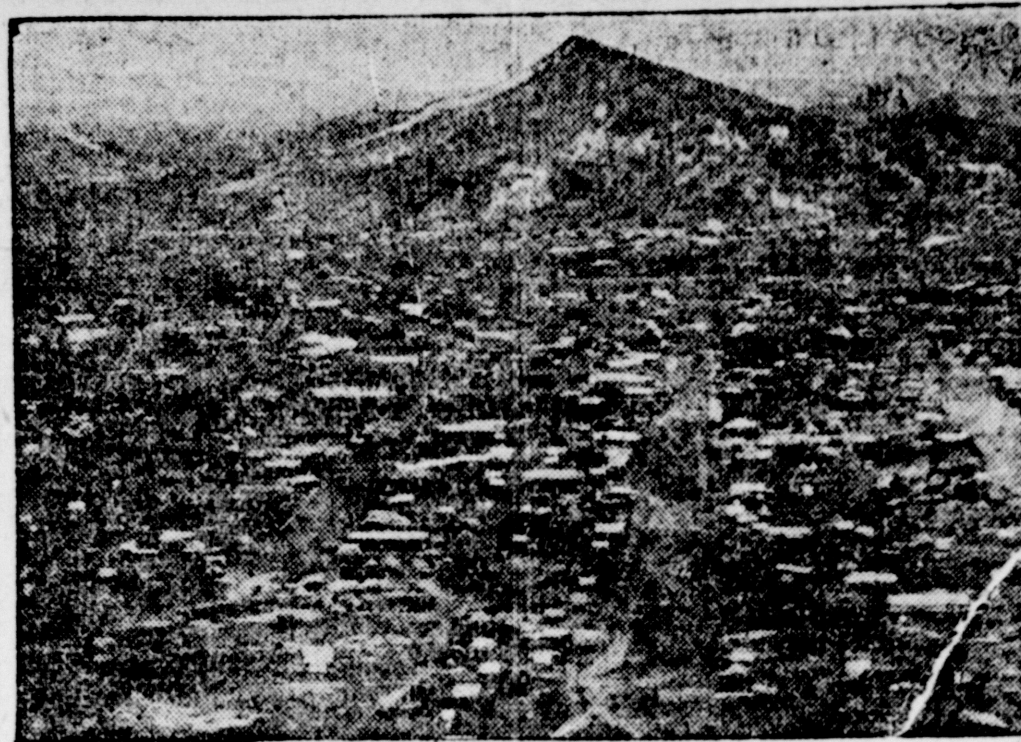
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SCENE OF GOLDFIELD MINING TROUBLES.

EDWARDS TAKES POT SHOT AT TOM

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in the matter of the service which it renders them, and it therefore asks space in your columns to deny in toto the aspersions made upon it in the presentation of Mr. Morris' case before the commission as reported in your dispatches from Madison. It may add that it feels the more confident of an impartial if not a friendly hearing by the people of La Crosse because of the fact that from the beginning all of its capital stock and most of its bonded indebtedness has been held and owned by La Crosse men and that our own citizens have continuously been its directors and managers.

Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Senator Morris' representations contain all of his charges against the company, and in answer to the several allegations contained therein we say:

1. The company is furnishing both an adequate and reasonable service. It is running three more cars than it was running a year ago, and it is only at rare intervals that its cars are filled to their capacity. It is furnishing better accommodations and using larger cars than are furnished and used in any other city in Wisconsin of the size of La Crosse.

2. Its cars are operated on as nearly schedule time as can be done by any street railway company anywhere under similar conditions and a ten-minute service is maintained on all the lines up to 9 o'clock, p. m. Over a portion of the lines the service is more frequent and extra cars are invariably provided whenever they are demanded by the condition of the traffic.

3. All of its cars are heated during the winter season and kept as warm as is practically possible in view of the constant opening and closing of the doors for the ingress and exit of passengers, a thing that helps to provide ventilation which is attended to according to modern standards. All cars are opened and carefully cleaned at the end of every trip and nothing could be more surprising to the company than a charge that they are uncomfortable and unsanitary.

4. It cannot reasonably be required to furnish waiting rooms in connection with its city service when a ten-minute schedule is in effect. It knows of no other city in which such accommodations are provided.

5. The company asserts without fear of successful contradiction that it observes every reasonable precaution for the safety of its passengers and particularly for their protection at railroad crossings. It has had but two serious accidents in the fourteen years of its operation and in neither of these was there any negligence on the part of the company, or its employees.

6. The company denies that its net earnings have been out of proportion with those of other business enterprises or in any degree excessive. They have barely averaged 7 per cent upon the capital stock and all of the earnings above that amount have been regularly expended in improvements and extensions and in new equipment. More than \$30,000 was expended in this way during the past year and other large expenditures are planned for the immediate future. The actual cost of transporting passengers is within a small fraction of 4 cents each, and to establish a lower fare than is now charged would involve the company in loss and compel a deterioration of the service.

We believe that all of these conditions are too well known in La Crosse to permit the making of political capital out of the unfair and untruthful representations made at Madison by Mr. Morris, but we nevertheless ask candid consideration, at the hands of the people of La Crosse, of the facts herein given.

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STRIKE BREAKERS ARE IN GOLDFIELD

FIRST PARTY ARRIVES BUT NO TROUBLE ENSUES

FUNSTON LEAVES FOR FRISCO

Leaves Small Force Behind—Roosevelt Commission Is Now at Work on the Case

GOLDFIELD, Dec. 17.—The first consignment of strike-breakers, consisting of 45 men, arrived today. No demonstration was made, and the men went directly to the various mines and prepared for work. Fifty more are due tomorrow and several properties will probably start operation. One of the largest mills ran three shifts last night and today, for the first time since trouble started last November.

Gen. Funston Leaves. Gen. Funston will leave here tomorrow for San Francisco, leaving Col. Reynolds in charge. "As the result of my recommendation a force of only two hundred soldiers will be left here. These will be here probably all winter," he said. "Goldfield is now quiet, but the troops will be kept here to ward off any trouble that might arise."

Commission at Work. Members of the commission sent by President Roosevelt have arrived in Goldfield. They are Charles P. Neill, labor commissioner; Herbert Kn. Smith, commissioner of corporations; and Laurence Murray, assistant secretary of the department of commerce and labor. Mr. Neill said today the commission would go at once into the labor conditions in Goldfield, taking up first the matters here which have led to the presence of federal troops. The merits of the controversy between the mine operators and mine workers will be exhaustively investigated and the whole matter embodied in reports to be made to the war department and to President Roosevelt.

NEW QUESTION MAY STOP R. Y. DECISION

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 railroad's view be upheld in the courts these lines would have no recourse to recover.

Appeal Is Certain. Whichever way the motion on the demurrer of the attorney general is determined there will be an appeal to the supreme court of the state and probably to the United States supreme court, since the question of interstate rates is involved.

The suits of the state against the railroads for back taxes and the counterclaims of the railroads against the state are based upon an investigation made by experts of the state under the direction of former Railroad Commissioner John Thomas, pursuant to a law passed at the 1902 session of the legislature, following the defeat of the railroad commission bill. Two years later the legislature formally directed the attorney general to start the suits.

Roads Had Cheated. Originally these suits were brought against the several railroads of the state for the collection of taxes on unreported gross earnings from 1894-1903 inclusive. The investigation for these years showed that \$12,493,028.59 of the gross earnings were not included in the reports of the railroad companies of Wisconsin to the state treasurer. The courts have since limited recovery prior to 1897. This limitation will reduce the alleged unreported sum, upon which the regular tax can be collected with interest, to an amount between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000. The tax on this amount varies in accordance to the earnings of the railroads, the rate being from 2 to 4 per cent. In addition to this the state claims interest on the alleged back taxes withheld at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

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But Quality talk—Purity talk—is not the whole story. There's that Blatz individual merit that is developed by the Blatz process alone, and which is, after all, the real reason why Blatz Beer is so peculiarly satisfying and gratifying. Try any of the Blatz brands, whether on draught or in bottles, and you will be sure of a beer of character and quality beyond compare.

ASK YOUR DEALER

VAL BLATZ BREWING CO., MILWAUKEE

Report of the Financial Condition of the BATAVIAN NATIONAL BANK

Located at La Crosse, State of Wisconsin, at the Close of Business on the 3rd Day of December, 1907.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$2,224,040.89
Overdrafts	5,664.53
U. S. Bonds	400,000.00
Other bonds	129,461.02
Banking house and fixtures	70,000.00
5 per cent redemption fund	20,000.00
Cash on hand	224,164.85
Due from bank	439,713.07
	\$3,513,044.36

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$ 400,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profits	38,244.29
National Bank notes outstanding	390,000.00
Deposits	2,584,650.07
Dividend unpaid	150.00
	\$3,513,044.36

THE NATIONAL BANK OF LA CROSSE

DECEMBER 3RD, 1907

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$2,602,574.99
Overdrafts	2,870.93
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	250,000.00
Other Bonds	244,700.00
Banking House	50,000.00
Other Real Estate	100.00
Cash Resources	
N. Y. City Bonds to Secure U. S. deposits	\$58,000.00
With Banks	656,027.75
With Treasurer of the U. S.	12,500.00
In Vaults	229,523.77
	\$ 956,051.52
Total	\$4,106,297.44

LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$ 250,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided Profits	58,139.70
Reserved for Taxes and Interest	10,500.00
Circulation	250,000.00
Deposits	3,287,657.74
Total	\$4,106,297.44

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY

Condensed Statement of the Condition of the


STATE BANK OF LA CROSSE

La Crosse, Wisconsin, at the Close of Business, Dec. 3, 1907.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$ 681,253.36
Overdrafts	434.73
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,000.00
U. S. and other bonds and securities	73,052.50
Due from banks and in vaults	258,375.64
Total	\$1,021,117.23

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	19,321.33
Deposits	901,795.90
Total	\$1,021,117.23

READ THE TRIBUNE



The All Important Question:—

"What Shall I Give Him?"

The smile on Santa Claus' face solves the question for you at 526 Main Street.

When we purchased our stock of goods for our new store we were very particular as to the selections and now our display of Men's Wearables is certainly worthy of your time—you can find just what you want and just what he wants.

HATS, FANCY VESTS, SHIRTS, NECKWEAR, MUFFLERS, GLOVES,

MITTENS, UMBRELLAS, HANDKERCHIEFS, SUSPENDERS, PAJAMAS, GAUNTLET GLOVES

offer quite as satisfactory Gifts as any, especially our kind. You are all invited to see our **HOLIDAY GIFTS.**

LA CROSSE HAT AND HABERDASHERY

526 MAIN STREET.

A. A. GRAEF, MGR.

YOUTHS RUN DOWN BY PIONEER LIMITED

Charles Slater and Roy Saine, of St. Paul, were run down by the Pioneer limited on the St. Paul tracks near the high bridge Sunday night and both are thought to be fatally injured. Slater has a fracture of the skull and internal injuries. Saine received a fracture of the right elbow, three ribs on his left side are broken and an internal hemorrhage

indicated serious trouble, the physicians state.

Roy Saine is 25 years old. He recently went to St. Paul from Fairmont and boarded with his friend, Charles Slater. The latter is married and 20 years old and formerly lived in Fairmont. They had been down town in the afternoon and were returning home when the accident happened. They were walking on the tracks when a train came in sight. They stepped to the adjoining tracks to get out of the way and

stepped in front of the Pioneer Limited. The train struck and hurled them against the pier of the bridge.

Here's Good Advice.

O. S. Woolver, one of the best known merchants of Le Raysville, N. Y., says: "If you are ever troubled with piles, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured me of them for good 20 years ago." Cures every sore, wound, burn or abrasion. 25c at O. T. Erhart's drug store.

Read Tribune wants.

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SANTA CLAUS

Has decided to make Our Store the "Base" of His Supplies on Everything in Footwear this year and required us to put in an unusually attractive line of

CHRISTMAS SHOES

FOR MEN WOMEN AND LITTLE FOLKS

JULIETS AND NULLIFIERS

AND WIDE ASSORTMENT OF OTHER HOLIDAY NOVELTIES

All this enables us to offer you an endless variety to select from. Every item a practical gift that will give the favored one comfort and pleasure.

ARE PRICES ARE STILL THE LOWEST IN TOWN

PAULSEN SHOE CO.

312 Pearl St.

The Home of Christmas Shoes and Slippers

MINNESOTA AND THE NORTHWEST

HEIR IS MISSING; LEGACY IS TIED UP

WIFE CLAIMS SHARE OF HUSBAND'S PORTION

MANY COMPLICATIONS ARISE

Share Amounts to \$1,000—Several Claimants Bob Up for Estate—Missing Man Gone for Years

ST. PETER, Minn., Dec. 17.—More claimants have appeared for the legacy of August Patsche, the missing heir of Henry Patsche, who died at his home in this city about a year ago. His wife, Mrs. Minnie Patsche, of New Ulm, is interested in the estate, and she and her two sons, it is understood, will try to get a slice of the inheritance.

August Patsche's share of his father's estate amounts to \$1,000. This amount is in the hands of Philip Dick of this city, the administrator, and it would have been paid to the legatee months ago but for the fact that he has disappeared. When last heard from he was in Canada, but he has not communicated with his relatives for several years and they have no knowledge of his whereabouts.

Early last week an action was begun by Miller & Foote, a law firm of Crookston, Minn., and Joseph A. Eckstein of New Ulm, against August Patsche and Philip Dick, the plaintiffs, garnishing the latter to secure the payment of a claim they hold against Patsche. In their complaint they say that in 1898 Patsche instituted divorce proceedings against his wife, Mrs. Minnie Patsche, in the district court of Marshall county, and that the case is pending. Mrs. Patsche retained Miller & Foote to conduct her defense, and on July 9, 1898, an order was issued by the court directing Patsche to pay his wife \$100 to meet her expenses in preparing for trial. Patsche never obeyed the order, and the suit is brought to recover the money.

After the papers had been filed the case was complicated further by the appearance of Fred Patsche of New Ulm, a son of the missing heir. He relates that August Patsche deserted his wife and her two children sixteen years ago, and he came to St. Peter to represent his mother, his object being to ascertain whether she could collect the money inherited by her husband. While here he stated that it was probable she would start an action and try to secure possession of it.

CUMMINS STILL IN SENATE RACE

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 17.—Gov. Cummins, referring to the boom given him for the republican presidential nomination, says:

"I have no thought of surrendering my candidacy for United States senator. The suggestion about the presidency is new here, although I have heard about it in other states. I do not intend to do anything that will take me out of the race for senator."

Referring to the letter made public by Senator Dolliver in Washington, written by Gov. Cummins to Dubuque during his campaign for governor, wherein he said he was not a candidate for Senator Allison's place, he says that he meant he was not at that time, but did not mean he never would be.

The Daily Capital here, a stand-pat paper, has called upon Gov. Cummins to donate the \$1,000 he said

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In Washington he would give if shown a letter wherein he promised not to run for senator.

NORTHWEST BRIEFS

MUSCATINE, Ia.—Rev. William A. Sunday closed last night the biggest revival ever held in the state, with 3,600 converts. Sunday's cash collections were \$6,785.50. A brass band and 7,000 people saw him off on the train at midnight.

SIoux CITY, Ia.—The Mondamin hotel is about to pass into the hands of T. S. Martin, J. P. Martin and L. R. Martin, who compose the dry goods firm of T. S. Martin & Co. The Mondamin originally was the Hubbard house, late the Boogie hotel. It has been owned in recent years by the Mondamin Block company, made up of Massachusetts capitalists. It is understood that there will be a change of management. The consideration is understood to have been \$165,000.

IOWA FALLS, Ia.—Bert W. Edwards, brakeman on the Illinois Central, was instantly killed here last night by falling from a train. His neck was broken. He was twenty-six years old. He lived at Waterloo and he leaves a widow and one child. The coroner's jury returned a verdict this afternoon of accidental death by falling from a train.

ARLINGTON, S. D.—Six young men narrowly escaped death by drowning while skating on a lake south of this place. They were skating in single file, when one after another dropped through an alrhole. Help was near at hand and all were rescued.

BEMIDJI, Minn.—By taking the necessary steps to secure suitable quarters is it probable that the city of Bemidji can secure a company of militia as members of the Minnesota national guard. It is more than likely that a proposition will be made to the city council at its meeting for the city to provide for the rent of the skating rink at certain times for the use of the company.

HOT COALS FLY INTO HIS FACE

Joseph Maier, 322 Pearl street, met with a painful accident Sunday morning while shaking the grates of his coal stove. The stove door was open when it exploded and threw the hot coals into Mr. Maier's face. His face and one arm were severely burned. He is getting along nicely today.

The Quack's Friend.

Theophrastus Esculapius Stubbe, proprietor of the Universal Life-Everlasting Golden Bitters, was in his office and about him was gathered an eager group listening to an account of the wonderful cures he had wrought with his medicine.

By and by a man in sober garb—a thin, pale-faced man, sedate and melancholy—entered the office and inquired for the proprietor.

"I have that honor," said Theophrastus Esculapius Stubbe, with dignity.

"You are the proprietor of the Universal Life Everlasting Golden Bitters?" said the pale visitor.

"I am. How can I help you?"

"I have come to see if I couldn't get you to establish an agency for your bitters in our town. I want you to send a smart man—one who can sell a large quantity of your medicine."

Theophrastus rubbed his hands and smiled exultingly.

"You see," pursued the sombre visitor, "my business is getting dull, and I thought with your help we might revive it."

"Can't you take the agency yourself, my friend?" asked the great Stubbe.

"No, no," said the melancholy man, with a shake of the head. "It wouldn't do for me. People might think I was interested."

"Ah, what's your business?"

"I am an undertaker!"—Tit-Bits.

HARRIMAN ROAD DEAL ALL OFF

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—It is learned today that all negotiations ended for the sale of the New Haven road or of its controlling interest to the Boston & Maine. It is also learned that Harriman was the prime mover in the contemplated purchase. What road he represented was not known.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said kidney disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed to cure blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by O. T. Erhart, druggist. 50c.

Some rich men are as crooked as the dollar mark that distinguishes them from the common herd.

EX-GOV. BECKHAM, KENTUCKY.



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We offer during this closing out sale for cost or even less? The term bargain does not do justice to these pianos and prices. We have explained why this sale is compulsory. It is not only pianos that we are closing out at cost and below cost, but we still have a few piano-players, a few organs and a few sewing machines that you can buy at this sale for cost or less.

We have several square pianos in stock that we will sell to you at almost your own offer, just so as to get them out of the way. We have sold a great many pianos since we commenced our closing out sale and we have thereby greatly reduced our stock, but we still have on hand a greater assortment of strictly high grade pianos to select from than you can find in all the other stores of this city combined and our prices are lower than any dealer can buy at wholesale today. But remember that we have started to close out these goods and we must do so regardless of price.

A person that contemplates buying a piano, an organ, a piano-player, or a music cabinet or anything in our line, will find it much easier on his pocketbook to make a purchase at our store than any other place in the city or in any other city. We challenge the whole country as to prices on goods. We know that we have struck bottom.

Do not delay coming in, for the piano that will precisely please you may be taken by other buyers in a day. Remember that this is a mammoth aggregation of piano snaps and you owe yourself a prompt visit of investigation.

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STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

A BARREL OF FUN AT THE PARK RINK

BARREL RACE WILL BE FUNNY
BILL THURSDAY NIGHT

ROLLER RINK GROWS POPULAR

Crowds Attending and All Are Showing Much Enthusiasm Over the Sport

On Thursday evening there will be "more fun than a barrel of monkeys" at The Park Roller Rink. It will be a "barrel race" for boys, and the way these young fellows expect to go after the prize will furnish more laughs to the square minute than anything in vaudeville or musical comedy that has invaded the city in a year.

A barrel race in a roller rink is not only funny—it is exciting. The daring of the little skaters is wonderful. The race is started out free to all. After a few rounds of plais skating the contestants get thinned down to five or six. Then the order is given to take to the barrels. These are hung by ropes from the ceiling, open at both ends, a little better than waist high.

The contest at once becomes turbulent. The boys go at the barrels, always two or three at a time, sometimes five or six struggling at once to get through, and the scenes that follow are at once laughable and exciting. Often a boy will be inspired by the spirit of the contest to race for a barrel and dive head-first, in the hope of sailing through ahead of his opponents, and these daring dives are frequently successful. The race through the barrels to the finish is always marked by an uproar of laughter and applause, and the audience always goes away with a feeling that it has had a run for its money.

The Park Roller Rink is proving a most popular rendezvous for sport this season. The crowds there have been immense, the "standing room only" cards being out on the occasion of the exhibition of expert skating done by John F. Davidson, and every afternoon and evening there are large numbers in attendance. The Barrel Race Thursday night bids fair to be so popular that patrons are advised to go early in order to secure good seats.

DANGER IN ASKING ADVICE

When you have a cough or cold do not ask some one what is good for it, as there is danger in taking some unknown preparation. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs, colds, and prevents pneumonia. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. O. T. Erhart.

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THE EAGLE'S PRIDE SATISFIED.

(Baltimore Sun.)

Interest in the proposed nuptial alliance between the daughter of an old and haughty Hungarian house pervades social circles in New York. Society in that great city has been concerned about the status of the bride in Hungary, her husband's native land. One of our esteemed contemporaries in Gotham has made inquiries, with gratifying results. Thus it is stated, on authority, that "a woman of middle class who is legally married to an aristocrat, even of the highest rank, enjoys in Hungary precisely the same privileges as if she were born in her husband's class." The bride's many millions will give her great privileges in Hungary, where there are not many multi-millionaires. This is reassuring. It would be inexpressibly humiliating to Uncle Sam if one of his daughters were treated by the Hungarians as if she were a member of the "middle class." The people of the "middle class" in Hungary and in Austria may be very distinguished and happy. But it is not the "class" at the top. In view of all the circumstances, especially the large influx of American gold into Hungary as the result of this alliance, it is pleasant to be assured that the bonnie American bride will rise above the mediocre "middle class" in her adopted land. The eagle could not scream with pride if the case were otherwise. As to her social position in Austria, a dispatch from Vienna indicates that she may attain a place in the highest social grade, although her advance-

ment in Austria society will be effected through an imperial act of grace.

A NEW DESSERT.

(Haper's Bazar.)

For the dessert make a plain, rich cream as usual, but flavor strongly with coffee. The day before the luncheon get from the butcher a little bunch of mint leaves, wash and wipe each one dry, and boil a cup of sugar hard, with half a cup of water, for four minutes without stirring. Cool slightly and then dip the leaves into the syrup and draw each one over granulated sugar, on both sides; lay on oiled paper till dry. When the ginger ice cream is in the glasses put two candied mint leaves on top of each glass; the combination of flavors is very good.

A Real Wonderland.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by O. T. Erhart.

A Kansas woman sent \$2 for a book on the "Art of Preserving," thinking it would teach her how to preserve her complexion.

NEW YORK LIFE STAYS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17.—The long expected announcement that the New York Life Insurance company would refuse to follow the lead of other large eastern companies in a withdrawing from Wisconsin was received by State Agent S. O. Buckner from the New York office in the form of a telegram yesterday. The telegram was as follows:

"Samuel O. Buckner, Supervisor New York Life Insurance Co., Wells Building, Milwaukee.—The company has adopted resolutions not to withdraw from Wisconsin. Two or three small matters awaiting final approval of counsel who is absent, but have no doubt all will be satisfactorily adjusted."

"THOMAS A. BUCKNER."

NEW PENSION AGENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—President Roosevelt sent to the senate today the nomination of Capt. Fred H. Magdeburg of Milwaukee to be United States pension agent at that city, to succeed E. D. Coe, who has held the office for about ten years.

Capt. Magdeburg will have charge of the pensions of La Crosse veterans and their widows. Formerly pensions were secured from E. D. Coe, when he had charge of the district with headquarters in Milwaukee. Capt. Magdeburg will take charge of the work now.

BADGER MAN AT HEAD

WHITEWATER, Wis., Dec. 17.—Laurence A. Curtis, U. S. A., a son of the late Col. Charles A. Curtis, commandant of the University of Wisconsin cadets, is in command of a battalion of the Twenty-second infantry, sent to Goldfield, Nev., last week. From the ranks to the command of a battalion is this Wisconsin soldier's record.

Convenient Banking.

The bank examiners of the treasury department have some odd and amusing experiences during their investigations of country banks.

At one small and primitive institution in Kentucky an examiner found a deficiency of \$100. Of course an explanation was demanded.

The cashier made a brave attempt to look wise. Finally he took \$100 from a private money drawer. "There that will fix it," he said.

"How will you enter that to make good the balance?" asked the examiner.

The cashier looked bewildered, but finally said he would not enter it at all. "You see," he remarked, "that drawer I just went into to make the balance is what we call the 'outs and over' drawer. Whenever we're out of balance we go to 'outs and over' to make things right. Then again, when the sheet shows more cash than we ought to have the surplus goes to the drawer. Funny the city banks never thought of that scheme." —Harper's Weekly.

Not In It.

"Will you please give me a crust of dry bread?"

Though, albeit poorly clad, the speaker was thin to the point of emaciation. He was paler than death, and tremulous with weakness.

"Step inside," said the cook, regarding him compassionately. "But, tell me, my poor fellow, what has brought you to this dreadful pass?"

With a deep sigh the man replied. "Alas, I am but a plain ordinary bank burglar, and the superior skill and ingenuity of the cashiers, presidents and manipulators has thrown me altogether out of employment."

Rattling his bony spine in kindly fashion, the cook set before him a plate of doughnuts fresh and hot from the oven.

MULTI-MILLIONAIRE MAY WED REPORTER



HENRY CASSAWAY DAVIS

Well founded rumor says that ex-Senator Henry Cassaway Davis has again succumbed to the shafts of Cupid. It is said that the aged multi-millionaire, now in his eighty-fourth year and democratic candidate for vice president in the last campaign, is to be married to young Miss Maude Ashford, poor but pretty, and only a few months ago earning her living working as a society reporter for a Washington paper. If the story be true, and it is vouched for by many of the ex-senator's friends, the future Mrs. Davis will find herself in line for a snug fortune of about \$30,000,000. These friends say the wedding bells will ring out before the few year dawns.

A Change of Diet.

First Moth—How do you do! Where are you living now?

Second Moth—Still living in the same old fur-lined overcoat. And you?

First Moth—I've had to move. My doctor ordered me to eat nothing but antique orientals, so you'll find me in the rug room.—Town Topics.

One nice thing about a picnic is that it breaks a man's foot yearning to go out in the woods and lie on the grass.

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The first thing not to do when trying to reduce your weight is to take something that contains a drug of any kind, or try to starve the fat away.

The moment you begin to do that, you give a distinct shock to the entire nervous and digestive systems, and though you may lose some fat as a result, you will lose your health with it.

Cases are numerous of fat people becoming permanent invalids by the use of starvation diets and dangerous reducers.

Fat people as well as others, should realize that, as a general rule, there is a remedy for every defect of the human organism. Nature provides a remedy for nearly every disease. It is a law of the universe. This is true of that dangerous and uncomfortable disease—obesity. Nature provides a remedy, not from the dangerous drugs and biting acids extracted from minerals, but from extracts of fruits, plants, herbs and other organic materials which are harmonious to the human system.

Among such materials there is known a remedy for obesity which has not yet become universally known, but the use of which has already resulted in enormous benefit, and most probably in the saving of many lives.

This remedy is commonly called Rengo. The rate at which this remedy will reduce fat, and do it harmlessly and surely, is truly remarkable. A pound a day is ordinarily the loss recorded, being done by compelling perfect assimilation of the food, and sending the nutriment where it belongs.

The most remarkable feature of Rengo is that you can take all you want of it without running the slightest risk of harm. It can be chewed like candy and is pleasant to the taste.

Many physicians, who before were at a loss to know how to cure obesity, are now prescribing Rengo with remarkable success. It is a great nerve-strength producer, affecting digestion primarily, and inducing a general exhilaration of mind and body. Wrinkles which appear in nearly every case of reduction of fat where injurious drugs and starvation process is tried, do not occur where Rengo is used.

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July	56 1/2	58 1/2	56 1/2	58 1/2	
Dec.	55 1/2	57 1/2	55 1/2	57 1/2	
May	57 1/2	59 1/2	57 1/2	59 1/2	
May	54	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2	
May	13.30	13.30	13.00	13.12	
Jan.	12.87	12.82	12.60	12.67	
May	7.92	7.92	7.77	7.82	
Jan.	7.85	7.85	7.72	7.75	
Dec.	103	103 1/2	103 1/2	105 1/2	
May	108 1/2	111 1/2	108 1/2	111 1/2	

GOSSIP OF THE PIT

Liverpool Opening—Wheat 1/2 d higher; corn, unchanged.

Opening, Hogs—18,000; 5c to 10c higher than yesterday's average; left over, 11,692.

Cattle—3,500; slow and steady. Sheep—12,000; weak at yesterday's decline.

Live Stock Receipts: Omaha—Hogs 3,200, cattle 3,700, sheep 4,000. Kansas City—Hogs 12,000, cattle 10,000, sheep 4,000.

Chicago carlots—Wheat 51-3, corn 400-21, oats 405-11, hogs 18,000.

Minneapolis—Narrow market with scarcely anything doing in pit or otherwise; country receipts only moderate and likely to continue so until first of year, but with good weather receipts will continue good.

Russia—A revised official estimate for spring wheat in 72 governments places yield with corn and oats as follows: Spring wheat, 1907, 347,600,000; preliminary estimate, S. p. 12, 1907, 330,400,000; final 1906, 267,900,000.

Broomhall, London—Wheat was firm at start with values half d higher, being influenced by firmness in America yesterday. Following the opening there was a period of depression due to lack of support stimulated by the bearish official Russian report and the Argentine exportable surplus as given out by our agent, and prices eased off 1/2 d. At midday, however, a steadier undertone developed on a good demand for spot and prices at this time were 1/2 higher. Corn was quiet at opening and unchanged, later the market became easy.

Spot Markets—Wheat was firm, with red winter 1/2 and La Plata 1d higher. Wheat cargoes steady with better inquiry. Corn quiet and unchanged.

Liverpool Close—Wheat unchanged, corn 1/4 lower.

Bradstreet's report of the available supply last week shows following changes: Wheat east of rocks this year inc. 1,048,000, last year, inc. 3,564,000. Europe and Africa dec. 2,700,000—dec. 800,000; total dec. 1,552,000. Last year inc. 2,644,000. Corn inc. 1,325,000—inc. 820,000. Oats, inc. 227,000—dec. 1,014,000.

Chicago Hogs closing—Few sales, 10 to 15c higher; estimated for tomorrow, 30,000. Cattle, 4,000; strong. Sheep, dull.

BLAIN LARSON HURT AT ABERDEEN

La Crosse and Viroqua relatives today received information of an injury to Blaine Larson, former conductor on the Southern Minnesota in a train wreck at Aberdeen, S. D. Larson is confined in the St. Louis hospital, but the telegraph to relatives said the injuries were not serious.

H. E. Rogers, Jr., and Mrs. A. O. Larson, and Welma Larson left today for Aberdeen.

Listening to the troubles of their neighbors affords some people a lot of pleasure.

WANTS—CONTINUED.

open more American offices as well as European offices and will sell some of its guaranteed treasury stock to raise additional capital for this purpose. We have several positions open for investors if they desire to take an active interest. See our manager, Albert E. Coy, any evening on Dec. 18 and 19, at The Stoddard.

OUR SPECIALTY is selling so well that we want to open branch offices in various cities. Conservative, able men wanted to handle this business. Must furnish capital enough to open local office. Right parties can secure interest in business. See our sales manager, Albert E. Coy, Dec. 18 and 19, at The Stoddard, any evening.

WANTED—Work by day, phone 5702.

WANTED—Copies of The Tribune of Aug. 10, 1907. Will pay 5c apiece for same if left at Tribune Office.

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OLD CHICKENS AT 10 CENTS

Young Chickens at Schilling and Ducks Being 13 Cents; Supply is Large

Chickens and ducks are quoted lower at the local markets this morning, due to the quantities on the market and in sympathy with the stock markets. Old chickens dropped to 10 cents per pound and young chickens are now selling at a schilling per pound. Ducks dropped 2 cents and are now selling at 13 cents per pound.

TUESDAY, DEC. 17, 1907.

(Quoted by Hawley Com. Co.)

Creamery, per pound 30@31c
Dairy, per pound 25@30c
Eggs, per dozen 20@23
Eggs, on track, case \$6.00

Flour.

(Prices by A. Grams & Sons.)
Patent, per barrel \$5.80
Straight, per barrel \$5.60

Mill Feed.

Shorts, per ton \$22.00
Bran, per ton \$21.00
White middlings, per ton \$24.00
Red dog, per ton \$26.00

Grain.

(Quoted by W. W. Cargill Co.)
Winter wheat 50@55c
Spring wheat 30c
Barley 65@70c
Oats 40@45c
Rye 60@65c
New corn 40@45c
Old corn 60@65c

Livestock.

(By Langdon-Boyd Packing Co.)
Hogs \$3.75@4.25
Steers \$3.50@4.50
Heifers \$2.00@3.00
Cows \$1.50@2.75
Sheep \$3.00@4.00
Lambs \$4.00@5.50

Provisions.

Lard, per pound 10 1/2 @ 10 3/4
Hams 12 1/2 @
Shoulders 10c
Bacon 12 1/2 @ 15 1/2
Dry beef 15 1/2 @ 17 1/2

Vegetables.

(Quoted by A. B. Moll.)
Vegetable oysters, bunch 5c
Bunch, bunch 5c
Blue Point Oysters, ct 45c
Eggs strictly fresh, dozen 25c
Creamery, per pound 33c
Dairy, per pound 30@32c

Lard, bunch 5c
New cabbage, each 5c
Sweet potatoes, lb. 7c
Potatoes, per bushel 70c
Carrots, peck 15c
Cranberries, qt. 12 1/2 c
Wax beans, lb. 15c
Beets, peck 20c
Celery, dozen 30c
Cucumbers, each 10c
Lettuce, 2 bunches for 5c
Rutabagas, pk. 15c
Hubbard squash 10@15c
Cauliflower, each 10@15c

Green peppers, dozen 30c
Turnips, peck 15c
Grape fruit, each 12 1/2 c
Fresh tomatoes, lb. 12 1/2 c
Egg plant, each 12 1/2 @ 20c
Fresh mushroom, lb. 75c

Fruits.

Tokay grapes, lb. 12 1/2 @ 15c
Apples, cooking, peck 50c
Apples, eating, peck 50c
Oranges, dozen 25@50c
Lemons, dozen 25@30c
Bananas, dozen 20@25c
Pound sweets, peck 75c
Malaga grapes, lb. 20c

Fish.

(Quoted by H. M. Sieger.)
Pickrel 8c
Pike, pound 15c
White 15c
Trout, pound 15c
Salmon 15c
Herring 4@5c
Halibut 15c
Perch 6c

Poultry.

Old chickens 10c
Young chickens 12 1/2 c
Turkeys pound 18c
Ducks 13c
Geese 12 1/2 c

Cheese.

(Quoted by Henry Andregg.)
Full cream brick, pound 14 1/2 @ 15c
Full cream Twin, pound 16 @ 16 1/2 c
Full cream Limburger, lb. 14 1/2 @ 15c
Full cream Young America 16c
Full cream Swiss 20c
German hand, per box 90c
Primo 9@12c

Hay and Wood.

Hay, wild, per ton \$9@10
Hay, tame, per ton \$14@15
Straw, ton \$6.00
Bottom wood, cord \$5.00
Second growth oak \$6.00
Old oak \$5.50
Pine wood \$5.50
Dry wood, cord \$6.00

PAUSED EXAMINATION SUCCESSFULLY

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn., writes: "I tried several kidney remedies, and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Cure. After the second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Cure cures back-ache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. O. T. Erhart.

EAU CLAIRE—Thomas Bren-

gaard, aged 55 years, was found dead in the stall of a horse which had broken loose in the plant of the John Kalzer Lumber company, where he was night watchman. It is thought that excitement brought on by the noise and catching the animal induced an attack of heart failure that resulted in his death.



"THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM."



"THE ADORATION OF THE SHEPHERDS."



"MOTHER OF GOD."

No holiday is connected so closely with high art as Christmas. The connection is a natural one since the origin of the holiday goes back into the middle ages and is to a large extent a matter of speculation and imagination. Under these circumstances it is natural that it should be the artist who brings to the modern art the picture and story of the birth of the Nazarene, which forms the basis of Yuletide holidays.

The great masters have all contributed their most brilliant talents in reproducing the tale of the babe in the manger. Thanks to the artistic temperament the Madonna face and head have come to be the personification of highest and truest art. While the more famous painters, have been spreading their brilliant executions upon canvas, other artists, possibly less widely known, have also contributed splendid specimens to the collection of the world.

Here for example is shown "The Adoration of the Shepherds," a masterpiece from the brush of Bougereau, one of the most sympathetic recent treatments of this seasonable subject. Here also is shown Tighelen's conception of "The Star of Bethlehem," a poetic and inspiring, although but little known painting. Here again is reproduced "The Mother of God," by Sichel, a very modern but none the less appealing conception of the Madonna. Christmas art is the most beautiful of the year and while childhood worships before the image of Santa Claus the older world finds its annually recurrent inspiration in such splendid pictures as these here shown, bringing down to date the story of the birth of Christ.

ANIWA—Aniwa can go Brandon one better in the latter's boast of versatile men. This place is the residence of George A. Carley, who is hotelkeeper, liverman, village president, barber, telephone operator, cobbler and insurance agent. When he has any spare time he splits wood.

CHIPPEWA FALLS—Mrs. Leopold Flug was shot while seated at the supper table at her home. Mrs. Flug's 11 year old brother was handling a 22 caliber rifle outside a window when the rifle was accidentally discharged. The ball struck Mrs. Flug behind the right ear and lodged in her head. She is in a serious condition.

NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS
We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. O. T. Erhart.

RAILROAD TIME TABLES

CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL

	LEAVE	ARRIVE
Chicago	8:45 a.m.	8:05 a.m.
Milwaukee	12:30 p.m.	7:05 a.m.
and the East	12:50 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
Winona	3:10 a.m.	12:45 a.m.
St. Paul and Minneapolis	3:15 a.m.	12:50 p.m.
Dubuque	5:15 p.m.	11:30 p.m.
Rock Island, Omaha and West	5:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
Southern Minnesota Division	5:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.

A daily, a daily except Sunday, c daily except Saturday.

LA CROSSE & SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY

TO AND FROM	Leave La Crosse	Arrive La Crosse
Stoddard	6:45 a.m.	6:25 a.m.
Chas. Valz	10:00 a.m.	9:50 a.m.
Westly	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Viroqua	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

A daily, b daily except Sunday, c Sunday only all trains arrive and depart from U. S. & J. depot.

CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN R. R.

	LEAVE	ARRIVE
Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison and East	8:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
Duluth and Superior	12:35 p.m.	12:15 p.m.
Trempealeau	12:40 p.m.	12:40 p.m.
Galesville	12:50 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Winona	12:55 p.m.	12:35 p.m.
Owatonna and West	1:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.

References—A, daily except Sunday; B, daily.

GREEN BAY & WESTERN R. R.

To and From	Leave La Crosse	Arrive La Crosse
Arendia, Blair, Independence, Whitehall, Merrill, Grand Rapids, Stevens Point, New London, Green Bay and Kewaunee	8:15 a.m.	8:40 p.m.

A, daily except Sunday.

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115-117 SOUTH FOURTH STREET

BEDGER ENDS LIFE IN MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 17.—Henry Clarke, who it is thought came to Minneapolis from Milwaukee a week ago, committed suicide by taking morphine in a room at the Mankato house. Clarke is said to have been a railroad employee. In conversation with the clerk at the Mankato house he said he had three children. He apparently was in good spirits when he retired for the night, and no reason is assigned for the suicide. An empty bottle labeled "morphine" was found in his room.

PATIENTS SLEEP OUT

WALES, Wis., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Unmindful of the cold, the sixteen patients of the Wisconsin State Tuberculosis sanatorium, who are taking advantage of the opportunity of being cured of the dread disease, are spending the winter nights in their open shacks, 100 feet above the sea level on an eminence that is almost surrounded by hills, cutting off the cold

blasts. Their bodies are warmly encased in blankets, however, and their mouths are the only part to be exposed to the air. Sleeping in these shacks is part of the out-of-door life that must be led by the patients if they would be cured. No one is allowed to remain indoors between 8 a. m. and 7 p. m., excepting for meals. Winter and summer they live next to nature. The colony now at the sanatorium likes it, says Dr. Paull, the superintendent. The "camp" or open shack is comfortably filled, but by the first of the year two more buildings, capable of accommodating sixty to seventy more patients, will be ready.

BULL KILLS MAN.

WAUPACA, Wis., Dec. 17.—O. T. Hambleton of Sheridan, well known in Waupaca county, and county clerk for five years, was found dead in the road near his farm about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He had gone to drive home his herd of cattle about a quarter of a mile from the house and later when the cattle arrived without him, a search resulted in the finding of his body badly bruised.

There is a vicious bull in the herd of cattle and it is supposed the brute caused Hambleton's death. Mr. Hambleton was 67 years old and had lived in this county for thirty years. He was a native of New York and was at one time steward of the Union Steamboat company of Buffalo.

POSTPONE TOBACCO MEET.

STOUGHTON, Wis., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Because tobacco growers are unusually busy in their work of bundling the crop, the county meeting of the tobacco department of the "farmers' trust" which was to have been held here tomorrow, has been postponed until the new year. The Rock county meeting, however, is being held today at Janesville. S. D. Kump, state secretary, says that speakers from Kentucky will attend the Dane county meeting. No doubt preliminary arrangements for pooling the crop will be made, as few purchases are being made by manufacturers.

VOTE ON M. O. TODAY.

APPLETON, Wis., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Appleton is voting today on a question of vital importance to the city. The election today will decide whether or not the city will purchase the plant of the Appleton Water Works Co. at a figure to be set by the railway commission, under condemnation proceedings. The company's franchise expired Nov. 30, and a few weeks ago the council forced the company to take an indefinite term franchise under the new public utility law, giving the city the right to purchase at any time. The commission will also be asked to make a new and lower rate for street and commercial lighting by the street railway company, and a fight for Dollar Gas is to be waged soon.

EAU CLAIRE—The water in the rivers in this section is the lowest that it has been for years and in some instances is interfering with business. Owing to this fact there is not so much water power generated as usual. The farmers say that there is not so much water in their wells as there should be. This has been noticeable on farms where much stock is watered at wells.

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Read Tribune want ads.

WISCONSIN NEWS

VARSITY FACULTY OPPOSE A CHANGE

DESIRE ATHLETICS TO REMAIN IN SAME OLD RUT

FAVOR SEVEN GAME FOOTBALL

Instruct Dr. Hutchins to Vote for This Number of Gridiron Contests—Select No Coach

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 17.—That the faculty of the university of Wisconsin probably will not consent to an extension of the football season from five to seven games was the statement made by a member of the faculty committee appointed by the faculty to meet with a committee of the alumni. The faculty and alumni committees practically agreed upon the general athletic policy to be pursued by the university in the future, and have taken no action upon either the question of a coach or an extension of the football season.

The athletic council, which instructed Dr. C. F. Hutchins to vote for the seven game proposition at the last meeting of the conference at Chicago, probably will not meet before the next conference of college delegates Jan. 4.

Dr. Hutchins may carry out the instructions of the athletic council and vote for the seven game proposition, but as the action of the delegates must be approved by the faculty before it will take effect, his vote for the change is almost certain to be nullified as soon as the faculty meets after the conference. If he votes against an extension, he is certain to assume the blame which the alumni will attempt to fix.

May Sanction Minor Game.

From a member of the faculty committee, it was learned that members of the committee have expressed a strong conviction that the faculty will not assent to the extension of the schedule to seven games. The committee will report to the faculty at its next meeting, and its report probably will include an objection to the change. It is understood that if the students and the alumni greatly desire some extension, the faculty may be willing to grant a sixth game, but this must be with a minor college. On the subject of a football coach, the faculty committee told the alumni representatives that this matter was entirely in the hands of the president and the board of regents.

Regents Discuss Subject.

Some of the regents held a conference at the Park hotel last night preliminary to the regular meeting today, and it is understood that the question of hiring a football and baseball coach was discussed. It has developed that the regents asked Attorney General F. L. Gilbert last April for an opinion as to their right to use state money to hire coaches to train students for intercollegiate athletics. He held that they had no such authority, but when questioned he said that they were authorized to hire instructors in physical training, and that the students might as an incident of such training compete in intercollegiate contests. A few of the regents who are opposed to intercollegiate athletics are using his opinion as an argument against the hiring of Barry as a member of the athletic instructional force.

"Y" PLANS PRACTICALLY ACCEPTED

At the meeting of the directors of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon it was practically decided to accept the plans for the new building, and all that yet remains to be done is the approval of the building committee, which will meet the latter part of the week.

The trustees arranged at this meeting for the usual collections in the second quarterly installments toward the new building, and the collectors will be sent to all those who have not sent in their subscriptions.

The Morning After.

Possessed of an appetite that did not warrant any breakfast preparations, he moodily sat him down with an aching head and surveyed the broiled bacon shudderingly.

"You arrived home very early this morning," remarked his spouse, in tones of saccharine sweetness that ill concealed a latent vindictiveness. With a pretense of attacking an egg, wearily responded the peccant husband:

"Yes, there was a meeting of the church elders which lasted longer than I fancied possible."

"Ah," quoth she, pushing a dish of flannel haddle in a position from where he would receive the directest whiff, "and what, may I ask, was the limit?"

Then full well he wotted that either the smallness of his wad or the discovery of a stray chip had given him away, and smilingly as possible he excused himself until lunch time. —Town Topics.

PUBLIC SPEAKER INTERRUPTED
Public speakers are frequently interrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures coughs and colds and prevents pneumonia and consumption. The genuine contains no opiates and is in a yellow package. O. T. Erhart.

Jaspar—Have you got a nurse for your child n yet?
Jumpup—No. We have changed our policy and have hired a referee. —Town Topics.

BLOT OUT LIVES IN SUICIDE PACT

TWO FOUND DEAD IN ROOMS AT PLANKINTON

REVOLVER AND A RAZOR

One Uses Gun, Other Sharp Weapon; Ask Burial in Single Grave; Coroner to Hold Inquest

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17.—Herman Schmitt, aged 22 years, a janitor at Marquette college, and T. M. Stanton, aged 20 years, Chicago, Ill., committed suicide in the Plankinton house. A suicide pact existed between the two suicides, as is shown by a letter found by the coroner.

Schmitt used a razor in taking his life. He notified Father Foley of Sacred Heart church, 49 West Nineteenth street, Chicago, where I lost my health. "We wish to be buried in the same grave. Please publish in Chicago."

This was the closing sentence of the letter, which was penciled on a blank piece of paper without a signature. This petition of the principals in the tragedy will not be granted, however.

The letter reads as follows: "To the Coroner: We both agreed to die together. Thomas on account of persecution from his mother and aunt, and Hubert through sickness and also partly persecuted by Mrs. Stanton, after she had all his money."

"Please, Father Rector of Marquette university, take care of my body and give it a simple burial, or please notify Father Foley of Sacred Heart church, 49 West Nineteenth street, Chicago, where I lost my health."

"We wish to be buried in the same grave. Please publish in Chicago."

Another letter, written in lead pencil on an envelope, by Schmitt, directs the disposition of his trunk and contents. It reads:

"I wished my trunk and contents would be given to Thomas Smith, 24 Seventeenth place, Chicago. —Hubert."

Schmitt and Stanton became acquainted at Sacred Heart church, where Schmitt was a janitor for seven years, while Stanton was a student.

Coming to Milwaukee on Oct. 30, Schmitt sought work at Marquette university. Being in weakened condition and unable to do heavy work, he was given work as a janitor at the university as a matter of charity.

Schmitt appeared to be gloomy during most of his time at the university, and he frequently referred to the fact that he expected a letter from Stanton. He intimated to a fellow employe at one time that he would not live long.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

SUPERIOR—More than 1,000,000 tons of coal were received at the port of Superior during the season which has just closed than were registered as the total for 1906, and the figures place Superior at the head of the distributing points of the mineral for the year. Previously Milwaukee held the palm, but this order of things has passed and the coal docks of this city lead not only the United States, but the whole world, as coal centers.

WAUSAU—Supt. Tobey says there are more children afflicted with scabies faces in the schools of Wausau this year than in all previous teaching experience. The spread of this condition he lays to the use of the time honored and battered old drinking cups at the school fountains. As a result, the cups have been banished and sanitary fountains are being installed.

KENOSHA—Mrs. Oscar Carter, who was terribly burned two weeks ago by the explosion of a gasoline stove, died at the Kenosha hospital.

KENOSHA—C. L. Darling was taken into custody Sunday evening at the request of his relatives who declared that the man had attempted to commit suicide by drinking carbolic acid. When Darling reached the police station a bottle of acid was found in his pocket but he declared that he had purchased it to put on his corns and that he had no intention of killing himself.

KENOSHA—Alex. Brown, John Brown and Frank Linderhand, all of Racine, and Mrs. Alma Schultz and Hortense Forrest, both claiming to be from Sheboygan, were placed in the county jail at midnight Sunday.

BAYFIELD—Theodore Albon, aged 30 years, drowned Sunday night while bound for the Anderson camp on Bass island. When a mile from shore the rowboat capsized.



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night charged with making a disturbance on the street. In the morning each paid a fine of \$1 and costs.

KENOSHA—Mrs. J. J. Hoyt sent a check for \$300 to the secretary of the Kenosha hospital association as her Christmas contribution for the patients. Smaller checks were received from other women of the city.

KENOSHA—The Kenosha Electric Railway company opened the new extensions of the local street railway company for traffic on Monday and cars are now being run from the extreme north end of the city to the extreme south end. Depot loops will be opened within the next three days and before the first of the new year two miles of new track will be opened for traffic.

OCOMOWOC—Workmen excavating in a gravel pit on the Spence farm unearthed portions of a human skeleton.

JANESVILLE—A Milwaukee road freight engine blew up while making the grade not far from Monroe. The water got low and the safety plug was melted out. Engineer Falter and Fireman Fred Whalen, both of Janesville, jumped from the cab as the steam and smoke enveloped the engine. Falter struck a whistling post and Whalen landed in a wire fence.

MERRILL—At a meeting of representative citizens of Lincoln county, the Lincoln County Development association was organized. The organization will co-operate with the Northern Wisconsin Farmers' association, which aims to advertise and develop northern Wisconsin along material lines. The officers are J. N. Cotton, president; E. N. Gould, vice president; J. W. Froelich, treasurer; C. N. Johnson, secretary.

OMAHA, Neb.—Mrs. Ernst Rumery is seeking in court to have her husband declared legally dead. He disappeared from Chippewa Falls, Wis., nine years ago.

SHEBOYGAN—Chief Bedford of the fire department, in responding to a call on Saturday, went by way of the Eighth street bridge. As the chief went tearing down the street the bridge started to swing, to let a boat pass through. When the chief noticed his danger he endeavored to check the speed of the horse. But the animal knew that he was going to a fire and, instead of slowing up, the horse made a spurt. On toward the open draw rushed the horse and driver while the spectators stood with eyes and mouths wide open, not able to give any assistance. Just as the approach was reached Mr. Bedford gave the reins one mighty jerk, and the animal came to an abrupt stop, evidently also realizing that matters did not look right ahead.

ASHLAND—Chief of Police Maslowski has resigned his position.

BELOIT—Sentenced to two years in the state reformatory at Green Bay, five Beloit lads, John Hansberry, George Knight, Walter Searles, Ralph Clark, and Miles Bell, have been taken to the school. The boys were charged with stealing brass fittings and connections from the wrecked engines in the Beloit yards of the Chicago and Northwestern railway.

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